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Nevada Commission for Persons Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing: Education Subcommittee

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, February 4, 2025
4:00 PM

Place of Meeting: Virtual: Zoom

AGENDA

1. **Roll Call and Opening Statement:**

Members: Eric Wilcox, Dr. Kimberly Bauer-Schaub, Dr. Felicia Rutledge.

Guests: Laura Fussell, Beth Jones, Catherine Nielsen, Lance Ledet, Dolores Hauck, Doralee Martinez.

Accommodation: Becky Van Auken, Captions; Kelly Bunting, Interpreter; John Roberts, Interpreter.

Staff: Obioma Officer, Executive Director; Lorraine Belt-Dolan, Administrative Assistant III.

2. **Public Comment:**

- No Public Comment

3. **For Possible Action:** Approval of Minutes of September 17, 2024, meeting.

- Dr. Felicia Rutledge made a motion to approve the minutes, Dr. Kimberly Bauer-Schaub seconded, and the motion carried.

4. **For Possible Action:** Nominations, Elections, and/or reappointment of subcommittee members.

- Everyone on the Subcommittee had expired their term and all members have expressed interest in continuing. Dr. Kimberly Bauer-Schaub made a motion to accept all members to continue the subcommittee, Eric Wilcox seconded, motion carried.

5. **For Possible Action:** Discuss Review and Approve recommended changes to the position statement on Deaf Schools for Persons who are Deaf, Deafblind, Hard of Hearing, and Deaf or Hard of Hearing Plus.
 - It was decided that we add the wording – the Deaf Commission has documented significant gaps in the delivery of Deaf and Hard of Hearing education.
6. **For Possible Action:** Recommend Discuss Develop and Approve a draft of a survey on education for Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the State of Nevada, and possible barriers to education. To bring forward to the Commission for approval.
 - Dr. Kimberly Bauer-Schaub made a motion to approve the amended survey, Dr. Felicia Rutledge seconded, motion carried.
7. **For Possible Action:** Discuss and Approval of Appointing a recommended subcommittee, Commission representative, for the offer from Nevada Hands and Voices to attend the Early Detection and Intervention Conference, March 9-11, 2025, in Pittsburgh, PA.
 - There was significant action behind the scenes that resulted in no one from the commission being available to be the representative at this time and so Nevada Hands and Voices had someone else that could benefit and asked for the spot back to give to them. We are hoping to have a representative available to attend next year's conference.
8. **For Possible Action:** Approval of Tentative Agenda Items for the Next meeting, May 6, 2025.
 - There were no items at this meeting, if you think of anything please email Eric or Obioma with your idea.
9. **Public Comment:**
 - No Public Comment
10. **Adjournment: 4:49 PM**

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