**Unapproved Minutes**

**Coordinating Council for**

**Persons with Disabilities**

June 2, 2020

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Conference Room/ZOOM

Judy Ann Buffmire Rehab. Center

1595 West 500 South

Salt Lake City, UT 84104

**Committee Members**

**Present: Sarah Brenna, Chair Utah State Office of Rehabilitation**

**Noël Taxin UDOH, CSHCN**

**Jaime Woodridge Utah State Board of Education**

**Tonya Hales Division of Medicaid and Health Financing**

**Utah**

**Joel Coleman Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind**

**Carol Ruddell** **Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health**

**Kim Myers Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health**

**Absent:**

**Minutes: Dee MacLee Secretary**

**Stakeholders: Libby Oseguera Utah Developmental Disabilities Council**

**Michael Lefevor USILC**

**Jan Ferre Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities**

**Guests: Tim Riesen Center for Persons with Disabilities**

**Tricia Jones-Parkin Center for Persons with Disabilities**

**Cassandra Shaw-Myers Utah Parent Center**

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| **Agenda Item** | **Discussion** | **Action Needed** |
| Welcome/Open Meeting | At 11:08 am Ms. Brenna opened the meeting and welcomed the Committee. |  |
| Approval of Minutes | The minutes from the November 19, 2019 meeting were reviewed. *Noël Taxin made the motion to approve the minutes; Joey Hannah seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.* |  |
| COVID-19 Impacts on Operations and Budget updates. | [DWS](http://medicaid.utah.gov/expansionDWS) is open and providing services.  Many of these services are being provided virtually.  USOR is also open but has a large share of its employees teleworking.  VR continues to provide services and will provide in person services as needed.  Disability Determination Services was given permission by SSA to telework.  We continue to process but there will be some delays in eligibility determination.  One of the primary reasons is that physicians who complete our consultation exams are not seeing patients. As clinics open we hope to start addressing those who were delayed for this reason. Joel stated that they had a 1.6 million cut in their budget resulting in the loss of 11.5 FTE’s . He said next year could be worse. Noel said they were cut 28%.  On a positive note, Tonya reported that Medicaid had been utilizing telehealth flexibility and issuing temporary uninsured insurance for temporary insurance for COVID-19 assistance. She reported on the concern for the nursing home patients. Medicaid has opened a FAQ link at [https://medicaid.utah.gov/covid-19/](https://medicaid.utah.gov/covid-19/.%20). Kim stated they switched to telehealth also with good engagement with patients. |  |
| IOTI Updates & Legislative Study | Matt reported the employment training has been changed for online training. Tim is in the process of updating ACRE trainings to stay current and within code. They have found an increase in other online trainings. He hopes to have the IOTI grantee’s annual reports by the end of June. He asked if the group would like to have them come and present. The group said yes.  Tricia presented the findings of the summary report. *(See attached)* One of the recommendations was to make the employment council permanent. The main goal was transition to make sure that the students with significant disabilities got the help they needed before leaving school. There is one more year on the grant. Matt stated one finding in the report was the lack of coordination occurring with various stakeholders in Utah. Group discussed options and felt that the CCPD might be a good alternative for hosting this committee.  Noel suggested we discuss adding this as a CCPD committee goal at our next meeting. |  |
| Transition Services | Nothing to report |  |
| New Chair Nomination | Joel nominated Joey Hannah as the next Chairperson. Noel seconded it. It was agreed upon unanimously. |  |
| Next Meeting | Next meeting is scheduled for August 25th, 2020 at 11:00 am  *Items for next meeting:*  *COVID-19 Impacts and Updates*  *IOTI Grantee Reports -– Matt Wappett*  *Transition – All*  *CCPD Goal Setting - All* |  |
| Adjourn | Ms. Brenna made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:47 |  |

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*

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Date Approved