

Agenda: Subcabinet Meeting

Date: 06/06/2022

Time: 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

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Call to Order

Roll Call and Question

Approval of the Agenda

Agenda Items

Approval of the April 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Discussion of the Minnesota Olmstead Plan

Adjournment

Next Meeting

Date: 07/25/2022

Time: 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom online meeting platform

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Subcabinet Meeting: Meeting Minutes

Date: April 25, 2022 at 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom online meeting platform

Call to Order

Commissioner Ho (MHFA) began the meeting, welcomed everyone, and thanked them for attending.

Attendance

Subcabinet Members

- Jennifer Ho, chair, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA)
- Nancy Daubenberger, Department of Transportation (DOT)
- Bud Rosenfield, Office of the Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities (OMHDD)
- Colleen Wieck, Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD)

Designees

- Dan Baker, Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Dee Torgerson, Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)
- Curtis Shanklin, Department of Corrections (DOC)
- Mary Manning, Department of Health (MDH)
- John Dorin, Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA)
- Wendy Wulff, Metropolitan Council (MetC)

Guests

- Shelley Madore (OIO)
- Rosalie Vollmar (OIO)
- Diane Doolittle (OIO)
- Chloe Ahlf (OIO)
- Caitlin Arreola (OIO)
- Mike Tessneer (OIO)
- John Patterson (MHFA)
- Kate Erickson (DOC)
- Lisa Harrison-Hadler (OMHDD)
- Gloria Smith (DHS)
- Kristie Billiar (DOT)

- Paul Nevin (ADM)
- Katrinna Dexter (DOC)
- Judy Moe (member of the public)
- Carissa Davis (member of the public)
- Sheila Holbrook-White (MetC)
- Holly Anderson (MDE)
- Ama Boumi (DHS)
- Judy Moe (member of the public)
- Carissa Davis (member of the public)
- Brent Krocak (member of the public)
- Jenna Udenberg (member of the public)
- Judy Skoglund (member of the public)

Agenda Review

Chair Ho (MHFA) began the agenda review. The agenda consisted of Approval of January 24, 2022, Meeting Minutes, Approval of the 2022 Olmstead Plan, and discussion about the future direction of the Plan.

Motion

Approve January 24, 2022, Subcabinet Meeting Minutes

Action: Motion – Wieck. Second – Manning.

In favor: Roll call vote was taken with 10 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

- MHFA – Aye
- DHS – Aye
- DEED – Aye
- DOT – Aye
- DOC – Aye
- MDH – Aye
- MDVA – Aye
- MetC – Aye
- OMHDD – Aye
- GCDD - Aye

2022 Amended Olmstead Plan

Leadership Forum co-chairs Lisa Harrison-Hadler (OMHDD) and Curtis Shanklin (DOC), provided a brief overview of the process the Leadership Forum used in reviewing, considering, and recommending Plan amendments to the Subcabinet. Some of the highlights included:

- New strategies to focus on informed choice in decision-making

- New strategies to measure equity for individuals with disabilities from racially and ethnically diverse communities
- New strategies from DPS, DOC, and MDVA to identify the impact of their services on individuals with disabilities that will lead to the development of measurable goals in 2023
 - Review DOC policies related to person-centeredness, inclusivity, and equity
 - Improve the response to the needs of individuals with disabilities on correctional supervision and experiencing unsheltered homelessness
 - Define the primary disabling conditions chronically homeless veterans experience and determine how to best address those needs (MDVA)
 - Ensure crime victims with disabilities have access to support services (DPS)
 - Develop a juvenile justice mental health continuum of care that aids juvenile justice facilities and child welfare service staff in coordinating their response to mental health crises (DPS)
 - Develop key questions that will identify disparate health outcomes for people with disabilities (MDH)

Approve the 2022 Olmstead Plan

Action: Motion – Wieck. Second – Wulff.

In favor: Roll call vote was taken with 10 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

- MHFA – Aye
- DHS – Aye
- DEED – Aye
- DOT – Aye
- DOC – Aye
- MDH – Aye
- MDVA – Aye
- MetC – Aye
- OMHDD – Aye
- GCDD – Aye

General Discussion About Future Direction of the Plan

Commissioner Ho (MHFA) began this conversation on information gathered during the Commissioner calls prior to this meeting.

Strategy Questions for Discussion:

- To bring the Olmstead Plan to the next level, what would success look like four years from now?
 - Assistant Commissioner Manning (MDH) discussed the impact of the pandemic on health, medical care, and access. There have been racial disparities for a long time, especially in the intersection of disability and gender identity. She also explained that the pandemic helped change the way MDH operates to make sure people have the information they need.
 - Dan Baker (DHS) explained that future success would include a focus on equity and identifying where disparities exist. DHS wants to work closely with their Chief Equity Officer, Dr. Karen McKinney. DHS would also like to think about how they can better partner with other state agencies represented within the Olmstead Subcabinet.
 - Commissioner Ho discussed how MHFA is focused on the housing shortage and housing affordability crisis and their commitment to taking a new approach to budget and policy.

- Wendy Wulff (MetC) explained there are issues with their goals, including a focus on more general things and not enough focus on people with disabilities. MetC has the capacity to improve its goals. For example, they are working on the better bus stops project to ensure that every bus stop is accessible. She also discussed items that would add value, such as tracking pass ups, where a regular route transit bus for a rider using a wheelchair.
- Commissioner Daubenberger (DOT) is working on addressing ways to provide more services to people with disabilities and looking at ways to provide more client-focused services.
- John Dorin (MDVA) explained they have made great strides with homeless veterans. Success for the future would look like reevaluating services provided to make sure they have services at their disposal to help veterans with disabilities.
- Curtis Shanklin (DOC) mentioned that DOC is being very intentional around being person-centered planning, particularly in the assessments for women and men who come into their custody.
- What should the Leadership Forum and Workgroups do to move this work forward?
 - Commissioner Ho suggested the Leadership Forum and workgroups evaluate their interaction with the Subcabinet and to think about what agencies need to take this work to the next level.
 - Bud Rosenfield (OMHDD) replied there is a sense of a greater discussion about Olmstead but there is a disconnect between the connection, including a greater understanding of the principles underlying Olmstead and the values of integration and inclusion, person-centeredness, and informed choice.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

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