

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF DISABILITY RIGHTS
DC COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

August 24th, 2023 12:30 PM
441 4th Street, NW Suite 729 North
Washington, DC 20001

Conference Call

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Agenda

- A. Call to Order (3 minutes)
- B. Roll Call (3 minutes)
 - a. Commissioners
 - b. ODR Staff
- C. Approval of Agenda & Minutes (2 minutes)
- D. Message from ODR – Updates (15 minutes)
- E. Presentation: DCCPD Powerpoint – HSEMA (25 minutes)
- F. Public Comment (5 – 10 minutes)
- G. Meeting Adjournment (2 minutes)

Questions:

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Call to Order

Chairperson Rachael Gass called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

Introduction of Commissioners and Quorum – quorum was not present.

Commissioners In Attendance

Rachael Gass
Anjie Shelby
Kelly Mack
Oliver Roy

(Not present: Hope Fuller, Kamilah Martin-Proctor, Travis Painter, Gerard Counihan, Shakira Hemphill, Terrance Hunter, Edward James, & Jeremy Mann)

DC Government Staff in Attendance

Mathew McCollough, ODR Director
Ngoc Trinh, ODR Chief of Staff
Ikeya January, Staff Assistant
Rosemary McDonnell, HSEMA
Melissa Daes, HSEMA
Clarence Whitescarver, DCRA
ANC Johnson (also with DDS)

Public Attendance

Christy S.
Miranda Fair
Yaniza
Carinder
Andrea Gehrz (ASL Interpreter)
Dale Cates (ASL Interpreter)

Approval of Agenda – quorum was not present to approve the agenda.

Executive Reports and Business Items

Ngoc Trinh began with giving Office of Disability Rights updates until Director McCollough joined the meeting to give his Director's report. She provided some agency news: The Mayor's Annual Disability Tech Summit co-hosted with the Department on Disability Services on Oct 21st, 2023 was a successful event with over 400 participants. On October 31st, Developmental Disabilities Council will host their annual Employment First Summit at the MLK library. The Office of Disability Rights hired two new interpreters and is currently in the process of hiring for the attorney advisor position. Director McCollough joined and provided updates about the hearing of the Committee on Public Works and Operations on the Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2023 and he testified in favor of it. The outcome of the bill has not been determined and ODR will monitor and share an update when there is one.

A Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) presentation was presented by Rosemary McDonnell and Melissa Daes discussing HSEMA's Settlement Agreement and their DAFN Program. The presentation will be available online.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.