



Disabilities Services Committee
Cumberland County College Luciano Conference Center
April 24, 2018

Minutes

A meeting of the Cumberland/Salem/Cape Disabilities Services Committee was held on **Tuesday, April 24, 2018** at 11 a.m. in the Luciano Conference Center at Cumberland County College.

ATTENDANCE: Dave Grennon, Norma Cordeiro, Donna Groome, Melissa Niles, Jennifer Sosdorf, Jennifer Veneziani, Nicole Cavenas

PUBLIC: Jami Johnston, Pam Comerford, Betsy Reed, Tom Brown, Katie Czajkowski,

STAFF: Allison Spinelli, Christy DiLeonardo, Brian Langdon, Shantay Clark

HANDOUTS: Department of Human Services Division of Disability Services: New Jersey Resources 2017, Cumberland County Office on Aging & Disabled GOLDEN AGEnda Vol. 49, No. 2, Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP), Cumberland County Human Services Help/Ayuda

I. **Welcome and Opening Remarks** **Approval of Minutes**

Dave Grennon opened the meeting by welcoming all attendees. Introductions were made around the room. Dave read the Open Public Meeting Act and the mission statement. Dave requested a motion to approve the minutes from January 2018. Motion made by Donna Groome, Second by Nicole Cavenas. Melissa Niles abstained. Motion approved.

II. **NJDOLWD Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

- **Cumberland/Salem**
Reported they are in the process. They are waiting for a counselor to be approved and they have a few clerk positions open.
- **Cape May**
Reported that they received approval to interview for a counselor position. They are having a transition event on May 16th. Jennifer Sosdorf is working on recruiting employers to come.

Christy discussed the Internship Incentive Program through the New Jersey Department of Labor. Explained that she and Allison will be meeting with the Department of Labor to gain a better

understanding of the program. An email will go out once they have a better understanding of the program.

Jennifer Sosdorf informed the group that she is hosting a business card exchange this month in Cape May.

III. Cumberland/Salem Offices of the Disabled – Director Reports

○ **Cumberland**

Dave reported that they now have an Outreach Program Coordinator. His position will now be concentrated on case management. He will still be the representative at these meetings. Dave gave an explanation of his handouts.

○ **Salem**

Not in attendance for report

○ **Cape May**

Donna reported that the Aging and Disabilities Departments have combined. They are working toward a Disabilities Coordinator in their division.

IV. Other Reports

Jennifer Veneziani gave an explanation of what she and Jennifer Sosdorf do. A main focus of their job description is educating businesses in regard to disabilities. She reported that Amazon has partnered with Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. They have hired a job coach to provide access on site. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is also working with CVS and Wawa.

V. Old/New Business

No old or new business to report

VI. Adjournment

Dave requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Melissa Niles. All in favor, meeting adjourned.