



Disabilities Services Committee
Cumberland County College Luciano Conference Center
October 23, 2018

Minutes

A meeting of the Cumberland/Salem/Cape Disabilities Services Committee was held on **Tuesday, October 23, 2018** at 11 a.m. in the Luciano Conference Center at Cumberland County College.

ATTENDANCE: Dave Grennon, Marva Ferguson, Rebecca Gower Ferguson

PUBLIC: Elizabeth Satterfield, Amy Ronketty, Jennifer Veneziani, Tom Brown, Denise Taguwa, Nicole Gregg

STAFF: Allison Spinelli, Brian Langdon

HANDOUTS:

NJ WorkAbility Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP), NJAble

**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. Due to a lack of quorum the minutes were tabled.

II. NJDOLWD Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

○ **Cumberland/Salem**

Marva Ferguson informed the group that Keane Zimmerman has retired and she is now the acting director.

○ **Cape May**

Jennifer Veneziani informed the group that she has been in talks with the Retail, Hospitality & Tourism Talent Network. Camden County College is holding an event for Disabilities Awareness Month. Jen informed the group that she is now covering Cumberland and Salem, along with Cape May.

III. Cumberland/Salem/Cape May Offices on Ageing & Disabled – Director Reports

○ **Cumberland**

Dave gave out the various handouts and explained each. He informed the group

that Medicaid can now be applied for online. This ability has also moved to senior services. Rebecca Gower Ferguson explained more about the process. Dave explained that it is a pilot program and is optimistic that it is a move in the right direction.

- **Salem**

Rebecca informed the group that Salem held 2 events for Disabilities Awareness Month. At one of the events they gave a Crusader Award to a local corrections officer who has been active in the community. At the other event, individuals were able to take part in job shadowing and had individuals mentor freeholders.

IV. Other Reports

No other reports were given

V. Old/New Business

Dave informed the group about a law that was recently passed requiring employers to provide 1 hour of sick time for every 30 hours worked. Dave also informed the group that some counties have received a grant that allows them to hire individuals with disabilities and bring them into county government. He explained that this grant seems to work best for individuals who work best with repetitive tasks.

VI. Adjournment

Dave requested a motion to adjourn. Motion by Rebecca Gower Ferguson, Second by Marva Ferguson.