

MAMC Meeting            September 15, 2016

12:00-1PM    Fry'n Pan Fargo

Members Present

Motion to approve agenda - 1<sup>st</sup> Tammy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lenore

1) Treasurers Report

- a. General Funds -> \$1620.40
- b. Grace Tveiten -> \$5917.53
- c. GT II Fund        -> \$1729.56
- Total Funds        -> \$9267.19

Motion to approve treasurers report - 1<sup>st</sup> Tammy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rikki

2) Program Reports

- a. Public Relations - no report given
- b. Grace Tveiten - 1 grant funded last month for \$70.00. 1 grant request pending. Rikki will follow up with Terry Romine on where online grant applications are being routed. Rikki will be forwarding paper grant applications from mailbox to Vicky B to help speed up our grant review process.
- c. C.O.P.P program - no report given
- d. Transportation Committee - no report given

3) Fargo Mayor Tim Mahoney attended the committee meeting in August. He was given an overview of the mission of the committee and where our focus has been the past few years. Mayor Mahoney was very interested in what the committee does in the community. We discussed the importance of inviting the Mayors back to meetings. Matt B. said that he would like to see Mayor Mahoney back at a meeting again. Jeff A. suggested that we make it a point to reach out to each Mayor yearly and schedule a meeting with them to update them on what the committee has been doing. All of the Mayors from Fargo, Moorhead, Dilworth, and West Fargo receive correspondence from the committee.

4) Overview of Committee duties

- a. Grace Tveiten - administers MAMC grant program. Applicants can apply for grants to purchase needed items to help them return to work or maintain employment. Applicants must have a sponsoring agency and must have attempted to access other funds prior to applying for grant

- b. C.O.P.P. - Citizens on Parking Patrol. This committee looks at accessible parking spaces in the community to make sure they are signed properly. They have worked with law enforcement in the past to cite motorists who park in these spaces illegally.
  - c. Transportation - Advocate for more accessible transportation options.
- 5) NDSCDD Employment Conference - Tammy DeSautel gave an update on this conference. 2 out of state speakers were brought in to talk about employment options for individuals with disabilities.
  - a. Tyler Newport & Ross Ryan “Real jobs for real pay”
  - b. Katherine Carol “10 ways to engage families in employment”
  - c. Parent resources handout - packets were given a handout at conference with resources for when their children are transitioning from school to work.
  - d. Employment Panel - panel members spoke about trends in employment. There is currently only a 10-15% employment rate for people with disabilities
- 6) Open Officers Position - Committee is seeking a co-chair and also a secretary. Contact Rikki if you are interested.
- 7) Awards Banquet - Historically held in April every year. Tammy and Rikki will contact a few venues for availability.
- 8) Announcements-
  - a. Job Fair Sept 27<sup>th</sup> @ Ramada Plaza Suites - 1:30 - 4:30 PM
  - b. Workshop at Job Service ND - Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1PM “How to succeed at a job fair”
  - c. Trunk or Treat - Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> at DMF Building
  - d. Arc of Cass County - Higher learning scholarships available to Cass/Clay residents.
    - Must be 17 or older, and have an intellectual or developmental disability.
  - e. “For You” program - New program through Community Options, program is seeking to get phones and other needed items to those in need in the community.
  - f. Art of Freedom Event - Oct 6<sup>th</sup> @ DMF building. 5- 7:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Pederson