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COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RIGHTS & OPPORTUNITIES

AGENDA: The Hamden Commission on Disability Rights & Opportunities will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Friends Room, Miller Library Complex. The following issues will be discussed:

Commissioners in Attendance: Chris Balogh, Bryan Barry, Kathleen Sullivan, Annmarie McConville, Eileen Carpinella

Others in Attendance: Gerry Tobin, Commission Clerk

1. Review Informal Notes of January 10, 2011
2. Correspondence
There was no correspondence.
3. Chairman's Report
The chairman had no report.
4. ADA Coordinator Bob Gualtieri's Report
Mr. Gualtieri was not in attendance.

5. Committee Reports

Mr. Balogh reported that Pat Delaney spent \$200 for the purchase five of the films shown at the film festival and she will turn in her receipt for reimbursement. Mrs. Carpinella said the film festival was wonderful and the film was shown again this weekend in West Hartford, and was very well received. There was discussion on the Play with Grace program for the disabled at the Unitarian Church on Hartford Turnpike.

Ms. Sullivan made a motion that the Commission reimburse Ms. Delaney for the purchase of films. Ms. McConville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

6. Old Business

There was discussion on four unrelated persons being considered a family for dwelling purposes. Mr. Gualtieri is researching how or if this pertains to group homes. The Commission has no information on this to date.

The Commission discussed the donation to Special Olympics discussed at previous meetings.

Dr. Barry made a motion that the Commission made a donation of \$100 to the Special Olympics. Ms. McConville seconded the motion.

7. New Business

Spring Fling

There was discussion on the spring dance. Ms. McConville will discuss a date with Dave DeMartino of Parks and Recreation. This year's Chamber Business Expo will be held on April 16th. Earth Day is April 30th. The Commission will try for May 6th for the Spring Fling. Commissioners explained this event for new member Ms. Carpinella.

There was discussion on getting other towns to hold one event per year for the over 21 disabled. Ms. Carpinella said she would be willing to send out information to other towns and Parks & Recreation Departments. Dr. Barry asked how the pizza works out. Ms. McConville said it doesn't. The attendees have already had their dinner, so it is more of snacks and desserts, fruit and veggie trays event that runs from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Ms. Carpinella asked if we ask high school kids to help out. Ms. McConville explained that the group home staff attends with their clients, so additional help is not necessary for this event.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Balogh made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Gerry Tobin, Commission Clerk