## Maine Developmental Disabilities Council

## August 4 & 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes

via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 2:02 PM

| Agenda Item   | Handouts                   | Highlights  | Motions   |
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| Call to Order/<br>Introductions/<br>Minutes/ Bylaw<br>Exception |                            | Council members introduced themselves   |   |
| State Plan and<br>Budget Update                                 | Powerpoint<br>Presentation | <ul> <li>Nancy Cronin walked the Council through the ACL Grant Proposed</li> <li>Spending Plan, reminding members that there has been a shift in how the</li> <li>ACL requires Councils to spend their allotments – from a 3 year period to get work done to a two year period and a third just to complete liquidating the funds.</li> <li>Nancy then described our voting process and how it will work on Zoom. To make sure that all votes are counted each budget initiative must be voted on.</li> </ul> |   |
| Budget<br>discussion  | Budget documents           | Nancy Cronin and Rachel Dyer walked the Council through the proposed budget initiatives for FY21.   | <b>Budget Vote</b><br>Motion: Marc Roix<br>made a motion that the |
|   |                            | 18 Voting Members Present   | Council approve the FFY21 budget as                               |
|   |                            | Expenses/Work/Projects:   | discussed.<br>Kile Pelletier 2 <sup>nd</sup> .                    |
|   |                            | 1.1 – Supported Decision Making – Maine Parent Federation   | 17For (ST, KP, JY, SP, MP, DD, TW,                                |
|   |                            | Motion for FFY 21:  | CS, JM, MH, RF, MR,   |
|   |                            | That the Council allocate <b>\$10,000</b> to work towards ensuring individuals with DD and those who care about them have access to a full range of choices around guardianship.  | ACL, NA, MS, DR,<br>MH)<br>Against<br>Abstain                     |

|                      | Discussion about specifics of this initiative – for youth and families to learn about making choices and understand options around guardianship.        17For        1Against (KP)        0Abstain         Motion CARRIES  | Motion Carries<br>Unanimously |
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|                      | <ul> <li>Inclusion Contest:</li> <li>Discussion around removing funding for the Inclusion Contest, based on flat numbers and not being as effective as we wanted. Consensus that the money would be better allocated elsewhere.</li> <li>Roy Fowler joined the zoom during the above conversation, bringing the number of voting members present to 19.</li> </ul> |                               |
| Budget<br>discussion | <ul> <li>1.3 – Support Self-Advocacy - SUFU</li> <li>Motion:</li> <li>That the Council allocate \$80,000 to support SUFU in FFY21.</li> <li>15 For</li> <li>0_ Against</li> <li> Abstain (CP, MS, KP, JM)</li> <li>Motion CARRIES</li> </ul>   |                               |
| (continued)          | <ul> <li>1.4 – Broaden the reach and increased the effectiveness of advocacy –<br/>Community Connect</li> <li>Discussion on how to make this project more effective and include self-<br/>advocate voices. Consensus around increasing funding for this initiative<br/>to allow for more focus on increasing self-advocate voices.</li> </ul>                      |                               |

|                           | Motion:<br>That in FFY the Council allocate \$5,000 to support Families and<br>Self-advocates to broaden advocacy.<br>New Motion: Alan moves that in FY21 MDDC allocates up to<br>\$7500 to support Self-advocates and Families. Seconded. |
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|                           | 14For<br>2Against CH, SC<br>3Abstain KP, MS, JM<br>Motion CARRIES  |
|                           | 1.4 – Broaden the reach and increased the effectiveness of advocacy – Disability History Project   |
|                           | Discussion around how to shift our priorities now that COVID is impacting in-person events.  |
| Budget                    | Motion:<br>That in FFY21 the Council allocates up to \$15,000 to continue its<br>effort to continue to create an event to display Disability in<br>Maine History as planned.   |
| discussion<br>(continued) | 19 For<br>Against<br>Abstain<br>Motion CARRIES – unanimously   |
|                           | <ul> <li>2.1 – Integration of services and supports – Transition to Healthcare MPCA</li> <li>Motion:</li> <li>That in FFY21 the Council funds MPCA up to \$25,000 to</li> </ul>  |

|                                     | include DD with chronic conditions when training patient safety<br>organizations and project echo<br>19For<br>0Against<br>0Abstain<br>Motion CARRIES - unanimously<br>2.2 - Quality Services - MRBN - FASD<br>Motion:<br>That in FFY21 the Council funds MRBN up to \$200 to support<br>their work.<br>18For<br>0Against<br>1Abstain (CH)<br>Motion CARRIES<br>BREAK FOR DAY, TO RESUME Friday, 8/7  |
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| Budget<br>discussion<br>(continued) | <ul> <li>Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>,</li> <li>2.2 – Restraint and Seclusion (no need to vote – this is ongoing work already appropriated FFY20) This year's budget: \$166,666.68</li> <li>2.2 – Managing Risk Study \$80,000 budgeted in FY20, but those funds were reappropriated for the iPad project – we could not find a partner for this project. Actual funds for iPad project were \$57,547, all spent, no more funding needed. No money budgeted this year, no vote needed.</li> <li>2.2 – Self Directed Services No vote needed: \$50,000 appropriated last year for FY21.</li> </ul> |

|                                     | Work is ongoing – plans to hire a facilitator for 2 conferences, White<br>Paper for recommendations to the State, Proposed technical   |  |
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|                                     | assistance to OADS to operationalize.  |  |
|                                     | Small Grants   |  |
|                                     | Motion:  |  |
|                                     | That in FFY20 the Council allocate up to \$12,051.30 to fund innovative grants.  |  |
|                                     | Discussion about reducing this line item by \$2,500 to account for the   |  |
|                                     | added funds to the line item in 1.4.   |  |
|                                     | New Motion:  |  |
|                                     | That in FFY20 the Council allocate up to \$9551.30 to fund   |  |
|                                     | innovative grants.<br>17 For   |  |
|                                     | 0Against   |  |
|                                     | _0Abstain  |  |
|                                     | Motion CARRIES – unanimous   |  |
| Budget<br>discussion<br>(continued) | <ul> <li>2.4 – Targeted Disparity - Increase access to info &amp; services for underserved populations – Cultural Broker and Family Navigators through MPF</li> <li>Motion:</li> <li>That in FFY21 the Council funds up to \$15,000 to expand the Family Navigator program to include culturally competent Family Navigators and seek matching funds to ensure log-term sustainability of the project.</li> <li>16For</li> <li>0Against</li> <li>1Abstain (MH) Motion CARRIES</li> </ul> |  |
|                                     | End of ACL-funded projects   |  |
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|                                       | Non-ACL Projects:  |   |
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|                                       | SUFU – OADS Contract – no more funding needed!   |   |
|                                       | LEND Expenses<br>Already allocated in FY20<br>No motion needed   |   |
|                                       | Act Early<br>Already allocated in FY20 – budget \$2,000<br>No motion needed  |   |
|                                       | NCI<br>Already allocated in FY20<br>No motion needed   |   |
|                                       | Total Proposed Budget \$1,154,900.04   |   |
| Bylaw<br>Exception                    | Deb Davis walked the Council through the history of Marc Roix<br>continuing on as chair past his term limits, and that it is not appropriate<br>for him to continue as chair for another term.<br>Jon McGovern offered to take on chairing the Membership Committee,<br>being coached by Marc this year. | Motion: Jon<br>McGovern moved to<br>make a bylaw<br>exception to allow<br>Marc to sit on the<br>Council for one more<br>year.<br>Seconded.<br>For _16<br>Against _0<br>Abstain _1_(MR)<br>Motion Passes |
| Membership<br>Committee,<br>Renewals, | Marc Roix shared that the membership committee recommends Stacy<br>Smart for membership to the Council.  | Marc Roix made a<br>motion that we vote to<br>approve Stacy Smart   |
| Nominations<br>and Elections          | Membership Reappointments – Marc Roix walked us through the slate of members up for reappointment  | for membership to the Council.  |

| Executive Slate – Marc walked us through the slate of candidates for the executive committee, moving Maryann Preble to co-chair and bringing Denise Ranger on as a general seat Minutes of last meeting | Seconded.<br>For _17<br>Against0<br>Abstain0<br>Motion CARRIES   |
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| State Representatives need appointment letters – DOE, OADS, OCFS  | Jon McGovern made a<br>motion to accept the<br>slate of<br>reappointments.<br>Seconded.<br>For(ST, KP for<br>everyone, abstain for<br>himself, SP, MP, DD,<br>TW, JM, MH abstain<br>for herself, MR, NA<br>abstain for herself, MS<br>abstain for herself, DR<br>abstain for herself, CS<br>abstain for herself,<br>ACL, RF, JY<br>Against0<br>Abstain<br>Motion CARRIES |
|   | Marc Roix made a<br>motion to accept the<br>executive slate as<br>presented.<br>Seconded.<br>For17 (ST, KP,<br>MP, SP, DD, TW, JM,<br>MH, MR, NA, MS,  |

|  |  | DR, CS, ACL, RF, JY,<br>MH)<br>Against0<br>Abstain – members on<br>slate abstained for<br>their own vote<br>Motion CARRIES                     |
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|  |  | Kile Pelletier made a<br>motion to accept last<br>month's minutes as<br>written.<br>Seconded.<br>For17<br>Against<br>Abstain<br>Motion CARRIES |
| Council<br>Member<br>Updates/<br>Announcements | Jeanette Plourde, our guest, thanked the Council for the chance to sit in.   |  |
| Adjourn  | Marc Roix made a motion to adjourn. 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Unanimously accepted<br>Big thanks to Marc Roix for his longterm leadership on the Council.<br>Adjourned at 11:47. |  |

<u>8/4 Attendance:</u> Deb Davis, Marc Roix, Kile Pelletier, Jon McGovern, Staci Converse/DRM, Jean Youde, Shannon Johnson, Maryann Harakall/CSHN, Maggie Hoffman, Nicole Achey, Craig Patterson/OADS, Cheryl Hathaway/OCFS, Tracey Webb, Jeanette Plourde (guest), Denise Ranger, Alan Cobo-Lewis/CCIDS, Maryann Preble, Monique Stairs, Cheryl Stalilonis, Roy Fowler/CDS

8/4 Staff Attendance: Nancy Cronin, Rachel Dyer, Angela Burgess, Jessica Gorton

## 8/4 Absent: Ann Belanger/DOE, Suzanne Primiano/DOL, Courtnay Putnam, Gayle Chambers, Sarah Trites

<u>8/7 Attendance:</u> Sarah Trites, Kile Pelletier, Jean Youde, Suzanne Primiano/DOL, Maryann Preble, Deb Davis, Monique Stairs/SUFU, Tracey Webb, Cheryl Stalilonis, Maggie Hoffman, Jon McGovern, Marc Roix, Roy Fowler/CDS, Maryann Harakall/CSHN, Alan Cobo-Lewis/CCIDS, Nicole Achey, Denise Ranger, Jeanette Plourde (guest)

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