

Maine Developmental Disabilities Council
September 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes



Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM

Agenda Item	Handouts	Highlights	Motions
Welcome, Introductions	Agenda	Abbott started the meeting with a brief review of the meeting rules	
Building Biographies	Madlibs form	Everyone was paired up to help each other fill in the form with their basic information to be used on the website. and roll call for attendance was completed by Kile. Quorum was not meet with 14 members.	See attached table
Council Business			
Welcome new Executive Committee Members		Abbott welcomed Regina Bowie and Stacy Atter to the Executive Committee for FY 26. Abbott and Kile will stay on the Committee while new members are trained. ○	
Thank you to Tracey Webb		We said hank you and goodbye to Tracey Webb. She has served 4 terms and has been a Chair and Treasurer in that time. Tracy assisted in structuring council meetings to meet parliamentarian guidelines, significantly improved the finances and served as a leader during the pandemic. Tracey was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a small gift for her community service.	
Meeting Minutes	07/09/25 Meeting Minutes Draft	Tabled for vote at November 12 meeting.	
Nominations Committee update		Jon and Brenda have been working closely to get a Membership Flyer produced and to get the committee up and running. There was a problem with attendance to the committee meetings throughout the summer. This created a lack of quorum and votes could not happen. Jon asked if Abbott and Kile would attend the committee meetings, both said they would join. Nancy stated that the Council needs to discuss commitment to committees and how the Council would like to have the Nominations Committee and the Membership Committee set up. Tracey stated that attendance to Council meetings has been falling and has become an issue. Nancy said that she would provide options on	



		how to handle absenteeism at the next meeting and there would be time to discuss both committees.	
Executive Committee Meeting minutes	Minutes from last meeting in August	No discussion	
Requests for Agenda Items for next meeting		Tracey suggested talking about when the By Laws will come up for review if changes are needed for committees.	
Break		The Council had a short break with a reminder to get a picture taken for the new website design	
State Plan Areas of Emphasis		Nancy and Rachel talked about the definitions of each area and explained how stickers will be used to allow members to vote on the 3 most important areas.	
		Nancy and Rachel divided everyone into 2 groups to begin discussing if the areas have the need for system change	
Lunch		Lunch was served	
State Plan Areas of Emphasis		Nancy and Rachel continued to talk about the areas with input from council members and vote with stickers for top 3 items they want to see more work completed	
Break		The Council had a short break	
State Plan Areas of Emphasis		Groups continued to the 3 rd part about capacity for the Areas of Emphasis and best chances for success in a new state plan. Stickers were used to vote for top 3 concerns	
Public Comment		None	
	Meeting Evaluation		
Adjourn			The meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM



Attendance: Abbott Philson, Kile Pelletier, Tracey Webb, Leigh Lardieri, Jon McGovern, Stacy Smart, Jessica Creedon, Andrea Dole, Maryann Preble, Alan Cobo-Lewis, Barrett Littlefield for DRM , Monique Stairs, Regina Bowie, Marc Riox

Members absent: Shaun Nixon, Stacy Atter, Courtnay Schadtle, Stephanie Vinson, Kaitlyn Johanson, Jennifer Marks, Maria Cameron, Cheryl Hathaway, Stacey LaFlamme, Kristine Adams, Craig Patterson, Nicole Achey

Staff: Nancy Cronin, Rachel Dyer, Brenda Charneski

Quorum present? NO (14 present)

Public: Cassie Way, Case manager w/ client Robin

Guests: Stephanie Pelletier, Dick Witham, Mr. Philson

Next meeting date and time: November 11, 2025 on ZOOM 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

	YES		Attend	Meeting minutes from:				
	NO			07.10.2025				
	Abstain			Quorum not met, tabled until 11/12/25				
01	Craig Patterson	OADS (DHHS)	X Retired					
02	Leigh Lardieri	DOE						
03	Shaun Nixon	DOL	X Training					
04	Jon McGovern	self advocate						
05	Stacy Smart	self advocate						
06	Stacy Atter	self advocate	X					
07	Kile Pelletier	self advocate						
08	Jessica Creedon	Parent of Child						
09	Andrea Dole	Parent of Child						
10	Jennifer Marks	Parent of Adult	X Hospita					
11	Tracey Webb	Parent of Child						
12	Courtney Schattle	Parent of Child	X					
13	Stephanie Vinson	Parent of Child	X					
14	Kaitlyn Johanson	self advocate	X					
15	Maryann Preble	self advocate						
16	Alan Cobo-Lewis	UMO CCIDS						
17	Staci Converse	DRM	Barret					
18								
19	Maria Cameron	NGA VOA NNE	X Sick					
20	Monique Stairs	NGA SUFU						
21	Regina Bowie	self advocate						



22	Nicole Achey	Parent of Child	X					
23	Abbott Philson	self advocate						
24								
25	VACANT	IDEA						
26	Stacy LaFlamme	OCFS (DHHS)	X					
27	Cheryl Hathaway	CSHN (DHHS)	X					
28	Marc Riox	self advocate						
29	Kristine Adams	Parent of Child	X Sick					

Current 26

16 needed for
Quorum

14