



## Lafayette City-Parish President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities

Monday, January 12, 2009  
Meeting Minutes

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<b>Board Members Present:</b>	Harold Arceneaux; Jim Richard; Peggy Stelly; Deborah Aymond, Laura Breaux, Yvonne Bell
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	Mark Guillory, Melody Cooper
<b>Staff Present:</b>	Dana McPherson; Ben Berthelot; Lou Anna Angelle

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1. Jim Richard called the meeting to order.
2. The December meeting minutes were discussed by Harold Arceneaux. After a brief discussion regarding the care attendant/companion the minutes were approved.
3. Jim Richard introduced Laura Breaux, The Greater Chamber of Commerce appointment to the committee. Laura provided the committee with her background. She provided the committee with information regarding her award she received at the 2008 Gold Awards.
4. Yvonne Bell suggested that the committee send a press release to the media regarding the event. Ben Berthelot will be forwarding more about the event to the media.
5. Deborah Aymond and the other committee members indicated how proud she was of Laura's accomplishments.

### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

Ben Berthelot received a phone call from an individual who was in the hospital.

### 7. OLD BUSINESS:

- People on the Move Program
  - Peggy Stelly provided the committee with more information on the People on the Move Program
- Leadership Training
  - Peggy Stelly, provided the committee with information on Partners in Policymaking. She indicated that the curriculum could include, but not be limited to the following: Assertive Training, Self Advocacy, Parliamentary

procedures, developing and presenting ideas in an orderly, effective manner, writing letters of commendation, complaint, or recommendation, comfortably, but efficiently addressing an authority figure or governmental official, Leadership, maneuvering local government, People First Language Concept, Speech Techniques and exercising choice and control. Yvonne bell indicated that People First language should be incorporating in the training.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Harold Arceneaux mentioned his Traffic and Transportation request to the committee. He indicated that he would like the Lafayette Consolidated Government Administration to look into the various areas where individuals with disabilities may live and proper signage be placed on their streets.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

10. The next meeting of the President's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities is scheduled for **Monday, February 9, 2009, 11:30-12:30** in the **Council Briefing Room** on the first floor of Lafayette City Hall.

Lou

November 29, 2012