**Virginia Board for with Disabilities**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

***September 20, 2016***

The Virginia Board for People with Disabilities held its regular quarterly meeting on Wednesday, September 20TH, 2016, at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, 4700 South Laburnum Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT :**

Charles Meacham, Randy Burak, Cindy Rudy, Angela Sadsad, Matthew Shapiro, Vicki Beatty, Deanna Parker, Ethel Parris Gainer, Stephen Joseph, Richard Kriner , Ronald Lanier (VDDHH), Donna J. Lockwood, Rachel Loughlin, Mary McAdam, Alexis Nichols, Melissa Gibson (Designee for Colleen Miller, disability Law Center of Virginia), Jane Ward Solomon (Designee for Richard Mitchell, DBVI), Atima Omara, Summer Sage, Terry Smith, Jamie Snead, Kathleen Vaughan, Rose Williams, Felicia Hamilton, Philip Caldwell, Caroline Raker, Maryanne Moore (Designee for John Eisenberg, DOE), Michael Carrasco, Donna Gilles, John Kelly, Travis Webb

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Angela West, Carina Elgin, Korrinda Rusinyak, Marisa Laios, Ed Turner, Curtis Andrews, Theresa Cassleman

**CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:**

Board Chair, Mr. Charles Meacham called the meeting to order at 11:45 am. The following took placed before it convened at 12:45pm**.** The Chair welcomed Board members, Board staff, and Agency Designees: Ms. Maryanne Moore serving as designee for Mr. John Eisenberg (VDOE), and Ms. Jane Ward-Solomon serving as designee for Mr. Richard Mitchell (DBVI). He also welcomed Mr. Jason Knight & Ms. Dawn McCoy (PIP), Ms. Lucy Sternman & Mr. Chevar Dessuit (YLF). Three new members were welcomed to the Board: Mr. Richard Kriner, Mr. Philip Caldwell and Ms. Caroline Raker.

**LUNCHEON PRESENTATION:**

Ms.Elizabeth Getzel, Director for the Center on Transition Innovations, VCU-RRTC presented on the work that the Center is undertaking on behalf of students with disabilities. The Center is funded by the Virginia Department of Education.

General Announcements were made: Board Member Ms. Sari Leinonen-Farrell has resigned from the Board. She is relocating to Kentucky to be near her son. Ms. Angela West had to resign as Committee Chair of PRE due to work obligations. Ms. Summer Sage has graciously accepted the Chairmanship of this committee. The next Board meeting is December 14th, 2016.

**APPROVAL OF JUNE 15TH, 2016 BOARD MINUTES**:

The Chair asked if there were any changes to the Board Meeting minutes. Hearing none the Chair called for **MOTION** to **APPROVE** the minutes. Mr. Matthew Shapiro made a **MOTION** to **APPROVE** the June 2016 Board Meeting minutes, and Ms. Cindy Rudy seconded the **MOTION.** The **MOTION** carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ms.Nan Pemberton read the first four pages of a letter submitted by Ms. Sandra Hermann on behalf of her daughter, Ms. Felicia Hermann. The letter related to her medical appeal regarding a requested environmental modification. Copies were distributed to the Board members. A **MOTION** was made by Mr. John Kelly to invoke the three minute for speaking in the public comment section of the board meeting and noted that of all the Board members had copies. The Chair used his authority to discontinue reading the remainder of the letter.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT & STATE PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Committee Chair Ms. Cindy Rudy reported that:

**THE APPOINTMENT OF A VICE COMMITTEE CHAIR:**

Ms. Atima Omara made a **MOTION** to appoint Ms. Mary McAdam as Vice Committee Chair. This **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by Ms. Vicki Beatty. The **MOTION** carried unanimously.

**GRANTS AND CONTRACTS EXPENDITURES/MONITORING:**

Mr. Jason Withers reviewed the Easy Living Home (ELH) contract, the ABLE: Advocates Building Livable Environments continuation grant and the Leadership for Empowerment and Abuse Prevention (LEAP) grant expenditures with the committee members. These projects were referenced in September 2016 Attachment ISP 3-2.

**REQUEST FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF RFP:**

Mr. Jason Withers reviewed the “Creating Inclusive Communities” RFP document with the Committee. The new process proposes to shorten this duration by approximately 3 months and aims to improve the quantity and quality of proposals the Board receives by being less prescriptive as to specific activities. Based on feedback, staff members from the ISP committee will make minor edits to the flow and scoring section. A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Mary McAdam to approve the RFP. This **MOTION** was seconded by Ms. Atima Omara. The **MOTION** carried.

**GRANT REVIEW TEAM (GRT) SELECTION:**

Mr. Jason Withers and Ms. Grace Lambert discussed the ISP Grant Review Team volunteer process. Mr. Richard Kriner, Ms. Mary McAdam, Ms. Vicki Beatty, Chairwoman Cindy Rudy and Ms. Atima Omara volunteered for the GRT. Mr. Withers said he would send an email to absent ISP Committee members to inquire if they would be interested in volunteering.

**REVIEW OF 2012-2016 STATE PLAN UPDATE:**

Ms. Grace Lambert reviewed the State Plan Update dashboard and the following updates were provided:

1. Objective 1-1 has now been **MET**; 25 stories were shared (for a total 41 which exceeds the target of 40 stories).
2. Objective 2-17 was **NOT MET**; the target is 30 individuals trained; to date, 25 individuals have been trained.
3. Objective 3-3 has been **PARTIALLY MET**. If there is a 10% increase in PIP and YLF survey participants, the objective will be met.

**DISCUSSION OF THE 2017-2021 STATE PLAN:**

Ms. Grace Lambert reviewed progress on the 2017-2021 State Plan. Ms. Lambert discussed that the 2-year State Plan for 2017 and 2018 was submitted to the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD) in August 2016.

**ISP COMMITTEE STRUCTURE DISCUSSION AND NEXT MEETING AGENDA:**

The role and purpose of the Committee was discussed. The Chair asked Committee members to give feedback regarding information and reports that would be helpful in decision-making.

**POTENTIAL MEETING TOPICS:**

Mr. Jason Withers discussed that VCU’s Partnership for People with Disabilities (PPD) would be asked to make a presentation on its LEAP project at the December 2016 Board Meeting.

**REPORT OF THE POLICY, RESEARCH & EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Committee Chair Ms. Summer Sage reported that:

The meeting was called to order at 9:15am. The Committee approved the minutes from the June Board Meeting, and then elected Mr. John Kelly as Vice Chair for the Committee. After the EC Committee update, most of the meeting was spent discussing the Board’s Disability Assessment. The Board previously approved education and employment as the topics to be covered in the 2017 Assessment. Mr. John Cimino presented the Committee with a draft structure for the assessment. The Committee discussed how Board members could be involved in the process, and the suggestion was made that board members provide input to Board Staff about issues via a survey. Board staff will create a survey and distribute it to Board members to be completed prior to next Board meeting.

**REPORT OF THE ADVOCACY OUTREACH AND TRAINING COMMITTEE**

Committee Chair Mr. Randy Burak reported that:

The Committee began with a vote for a new Vice-Chair. The vote was unanimous and the committee elected Mr. Matthew Shapiro. The Committee was then updated on the previous quarter’s communications activities, including noting that the Board’s story collection goal has been met and that work is progressing as expected on the Board’s SharePoint development and website overhaul, as well as the recruitment for a new Communications Assistant. Staff updated the Committee on the progress and results of the 2016 Partners in Policymaking (PIP) evaluations and the execution and results of the 2016 Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) The Committee authorized Board staff to continue research and development of ideas to improve the two programs and maximize return on investment. This includes potential collaborative or blended learning models. The committee also considered two requests for event support. The Committee made a **Recommendation** to the full Board to approve funding the Commonwealth Autism request for $500 and approve $2,000 in funding for the request from the Virginia Oral Health Coalition. The Committee also held a vote on a **Recommendation** to the Board for a new agency logo, which was chosen by a five to three margin with one abstention. Additionally, the Committee unanimously agreed to make slight color modifications to third design presented. The Committee Chair then submitted theresults of vote to the full Board. After discussion, a **MOTION** was made to **VOTE** on the first and third logo options. Dialogue followed about whether any of the logos should be approved. Following discussion, Ms. Kathleen Vaughan made a **MOTION** to approve the third logo option. The **MOTION** was seconded and passed on a vote of 15-8.

**AGENCY REPORTS:**

**Ms. Kathleen Vaughan, agency representative, Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS):**

* Vocational Rehabilitation program is currently providing employment services to 18,860 job seekers! In April, close to one thousand people came off of the waiting list.
* As a result, hundreds more people have gone to work and a record number of plans have been written for employment during the past several months.
* In order to reserve funds to support individuals with the most significant disabilities, effective September 1, 2016, DARS closed services under the order of selection policy to individuals with disabilities in categories 2, 3, and 4.
* Beginning on September 1, new applicants in these categories will be on a waiting list. As funds allow, individuals on the waiting list will be served.
* Individuals who apply and are determined through the standard protocol to be in Category 1, or, most significantly disabled, will remain open to services.
* DARS is on Facebook, with 2,387 “likes” as of September 1. DARS continues to invite Facebook users to like our page to lead to higher reach and engagement. The total reach is to 22,406.
* DARS is developing budget reduction strategies. Our target total is just above $3 million.

**Ms. Terry Smith, agency representative, Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS):**

* **Waiver Operations**

DMAS in collaboration with DBHDS is preparing four “Evidence Reports” for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). These documents report to CMS on the Commonwealth’s progress in meeting CMS waiver assurances and are necessary for waiver renewals. The four reports are for the Alzh. Assisted Living, Technology Assisted, Day Support and Developmental Disability waivers. (As they are retrospective in nature I have included the former titles of the waivers.)

* **Waiver Redesign**

DMAS is working with DBHDS on several areas of implementation on the three waiver redesign; in particular, DMAS is working on updated regulations and policy manuals. CMS has approved the redesign and associated rate changes have been implemented.

* **Consumer Directed**

DMAS is in negotiations with Public Partnerships for a two year extension of the current consumer directed contract. Negotiations include both program and pricing issues and information will be forthcoming. This will be the last of the extensions that can be permitted under this contract which will mean that the Commonwealth will go out to bid for these services in the future.

* **Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)**

CMS has mandated the use of EVV beginning in 2019. DMAS has begun discussions with EVV vendors and is developing talking points, gather from other states on best practices in use of these systems, mandatory vs voluntary use, agency and/or consumer directed use. Information will be made available as the project proceeds. One clear message from other states is that the roll out of these systems takes significant time and that consumer directed is a more challenging roll out in that autonomy is critical and times are often directed by the consumer.

* **Overtime for Attendants – Department of Labor**
Effective July 1, 2016, by directive of the General Assembly overtime is no longer paid for any single attendant who works more than 40 hours per week for a single consumer (employer). Questions and Answers have been posted on the DMAS website, letters to individuals impacted have been sent by the Fiscal/Employer Agent, PPL, and data to understand the number impacted has been gathered. Live in attendants may work any number of hours and do not receive overtime pay per the federal Department of Labor Ruling. All other attendants may work only 40 hours per a single individual. Please watch the website for additional details. DMAS is aware of advocates and stakeholders requests for an “exceptions” process authority for which was not provided by the General Assembly.
* **Rate Increases**

Several rates were increased as a result of General Assembly actions this year and were communicated and made effective July 1, 2016.

* **Slots**

Authority to add up to a total of 355 waiver slots in FY 2017. This includes 200 for individuals at the top of the DD waiting list (as of June 30, 2016) and an additional 115 DD slots have been approved by CMS as well as emergency reserve slots which may be created across the waivers for individuals with disabilities for emergencies, individuals transferring between waivers and individuals transitioning from an ICF or state nursing facility to the community.

* **Studies**

DMAS together with DBHDS, DMAS, DARS and VDH will convened a work group with community stakeholders to 1. Recommend methods to improve data capture on the annual incidence of brain injury; 2. Review expenditure data for any Virginians with brain injury receiving care outside of the Commonwealth and evaluate options for best serving individuals within the Commonwealth. Due December 1, 2016. This workgroup is ongoing.

At the directive of the General Assembly DMAS convened a work group of stakeholders including the DARS and dementia service providers and advocacy organizations to review the Alzheimer’s Assisted Living Waiver to determine if it could be modified to meet the 2014 CMS Home and Community Based Services final rule requirements and create a plan to ensure that current waiver individuals continue to receive services and address the needs of those with dementia who are currently eligible. The report has been submitted with four recommendations. DMAS will seek approval by CMS to “phase out” slots as individuals leave the waiver. The waiver will sunset in July of 2018.

* **Joint Legislative and Audit Review Committee**

JLARC has completed a study of long-term care services at DMAS. Recommendations from that study will be presented at the December 12, 2016 meeting of the Committee and several recommendations will be forthcoming, some, concerning, consumer-directed services.

* **PACE Innovation Act**

The PACE Innovation Act has passed which permits the PACE program, currently for individuals age 55 and older to be expanded for younger populations with disabilities. CMS is currently working on the opportunity for pilot projects. However, it is unlikely at this point in time that funding will be included for any pilots.

**Mr. Ron Lanier, Director, Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (VDDHH):**

* **New VQAS Materials Field Testing and Training Complete/Validation in Process**

Interpreters completed the field testing of the new materials in May. All rater groups (Certified Interpreters, Deaf Raters and Hearing Raters) have completed review and training on the new materials. There is one segment that did not meet the standards during the review process. As a result, we will film additional material for that segment and incorporate it at a later date. In the meantime, we will continue to use a previous version segment for that portion of the test along with five new segments. Currently, each group of raters who participated in the training is actively rating the field test candidate performances. We will score those ratings and verify inter-rater reliability prior to launching active use of the new version. We are still on target for an October release of the new materials.

* **Outreach Updates** – (1) We are pleased to announce a new Outreach Specialist has been hired to serve the Staunton area. Mr. Richard Gokey is a qualified interpreter whose office is on the VSDB campus. He is currently “in training” and will assume full time status within the next few weeks. (2) Also, we are anticipating the retirement of two Outreach Specialists in December – Ms. Arva Priola (Fredericksburg office) and Ms. Sherry Ross (Richmond Central Office). We expect to begin recruiting next month.
* **Communications Access Fund (CAF) Update** – Last month, the Interpreter Services Programs Manager and the Director met with representatives from the Medical Society of Virginia (MSV). The original intent was to introduce the CAF concept, but the meeting focus shifted to an immediate approach to improve physician awareness and education about working with patients who are Deaf. Areas of needed information and education include tax deductions, impact of HIPAA in relation to sign language interpreters, liability insurance and, developing a webinar. In addition, we agreed to seek to coordinate efforts with hospitals as the new Guidelines for Communications Access in Hospitals moves forward. In the end, the concept of CAF was not the focus of the meeting but the issues of communication access were laid on the table clearly and effectively. This approach does not totally rule out CAF. We must be prepared to assess the above approach, monitoring its effectiveness down the road.
* **A new initiative on behalf of the Statewide Interagency Team (SIT)** -is to collaborate with The Library of Virginia to have Video Phones installed at various public libraries, making this service accessible in areas where internet service is unavailable or unaffordable. Representatives of SIT will be presenting at the Librarians’ Conference later this month to educate library personnel, with the ultimate goal of starting a pilot project in far Southwest Virginia.

**Ms. Deanna Parker, agency representative, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS):**

**Waiting List as of 8/30/2016**

| Baseline # of People in Target Population Living in their own home (as of July 2015) | 343 |
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| Number of People in Target Population Living in their own home (after July 2015) | 150 |
| **TOTAL # of People in Target Population Living in their own home** | **493** |
| # of Rental Assistance Resources Set-Aside for the Target Population | 386 |
| # of individuals in Application/Voucher Intake/Housing Search Process | 94 |

|  Previous Waiver | Waiting List |
| --- | --- |
| ID Waiver Urgent  | 5,100 |
| ID Waiver Non-Urgent | 3,358 |
| DD Waiver | 2,456 |
| **TOTAL** | **10,914** |

| **Training Center** | **Current Census as of 9/19/16** | **Current Census as of 9/19/16** | **Current Census as of 9/19/16** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **ICF/IID** | **NF** | **Total** |
| **CVTC** | **147** | **35** | **182** |
| **SEVTC** |  |  | **67** |
| **SWVTC** |  |  | **95** |
| **Total** |  |  | **344** |

The following changes to the waivers system have been implemented and became effective 9/1:

* Three amended waivers with new services:
* Community Living Waiver - 24/7 services and supports for individuals with complex medical and/or behavioral support needs through licensed services
* Family and Individual Supports Waiver - for individuals living with their families, friends, or in their own homes
* Building Independence Waiver - for adults (18+) able to live independently in the community

 New supports levels and reimbursement tiers

* New Waiver Management System (WaMS) (service authorization, waiting list management and enrollment)
* New eligibility process and revised tool (*Virginia Individual Developmental Disability Eligibility Survey -*VIDES)
* Single, statewide, priority-based waitlist
* CSBs as single point of entry for all individuals with developmental disabilities.
* CSBs establishing contracts with private “DD case management” providers.
* General Assembly approved rate increases for existing services
* Supports Intensity Scale® assessments have been completed for over 9,000 individuals on the three waivers. Entire cohort expected to be completed approximately 6/30/2017.
* Emergency waiver regulations

The following related changes are in progress/ongoing:

* Permanent proposed waiver regulations
* Waiver policy manual (providers)
* Extensive training and outreach to providers and family members.
* 3,450 stakeholders have received training on the amended waivers.
* Held 18 weekly open conference calls for providers and families with an average of 158 callers per call.
* Toll free number went live May 1 and new interactive webpage went live July 1.
* BHDS and DMAS issued and posted memos, FAQs, training materials and other email updates on the changes.
* Discussion during meetings such as ongoing provider roundtables and statewide stakeholder forums.
* Presentations given at advocacy organization conferences.

**Ms. Marianne Moore, agency representative, Virginia Department of Education (VDOE):**

**VDOE Agency Updates:**

1. Restraint and Seclusion Regulations: Staff members from the VDOE will be conducting three roundtable regional meetings with public comment opportunities the first week of October.  The purpose of the meetings will be to let staff hear from the public about which changes they would like to see in a second draft of the proposed regulations.  Staff members will then present a new draft to the Board of Education in November for a second review.  Final review will be completed in December.  The Virginia Administrative Process Act (APA) process will then include a review from the Office of the Attorney General, Department of Planning and Budget, Secretary of Education and the Governor’s Office.
2. A new full-time staff member has been hired at VDOE to coordinate the department’s initiatives on Dyslexia and Specialized Reading Instruction.  Ms. Kim Bausum-Brown has been a special education liaison with Chesterfield County Public Schools for 13 years.  Her special education degree is from Lynchburg College.  She has a Master’s degree in Literacy and Culture with a reading specialist endorsement from Longwood University.  She has taught and supervised specialized reading intervention to students across grade levels.  For the past seven years, Ms. Bausum-Brown supported teachers and schools in providing specialized reading approaches in working with students with dyslexia, as well as helped special and general education teachers build their background knowledge in structured literacy.
3. The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) has been tasked by the Virginia General Assembly to convene an interagency workgroup to assess the barriers to serving students with disabilities in their local public schools.  The workgroup shall examine existing policies and funding formulas which include the following:
* school divisions' program requirements
* localities' composite indices
* local *Children's Services Act* (CSA) match rate allocations
* local CSA rate setting practices
* the impact of caps on support positions
* policies for transitioning students back to the public school
* funding for local educational programming based on models which are collaborative and create savings for both local and state government while providing youth an educational option within their communities.
* The workgroup shall make recommendations to the Virginia Commission on Youth prior to the 2017 General Assembly Session.  The meeting is to be held on
September 29, 2016.
1. On October 6, 2016, John Eisenberg will be delivering to the Commission on Youth a series of recommendations regarding potential changes to the Regional Tuition Reimbursement Programs.  He was asked to return after last year’s study on the state of these regional programs.  There are currently 11 regional special education programs across the state.

**Mr. Rick Mitchell, Deputy Commissioner, Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired (DBVI):**

* The vocational rehabilitation program still awaits the issuance of regulations by the US Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration. At present, RSA is estimating that regulations will be finalized sometime this spring. In the meanwhile, state VR agencies are working to implement the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. DBVI participated in the development of Virginia’s WIOA Combined State Plan. It will be reviewed and approved by the Virginia Board of Workforce Development on March 18. It has to be submitted to the Departments of Labor and Education by April 1.
* The Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services and the Virginia Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired have been awarded a five year grant of $4.3 million to develop a demonstration project to expand the Commonwealth’s regional career pathways programs to include individuals with disabilities. The first year of the grant will largely consist of hiring staff and standing up the project. More than $800,000 is allocated for fiscal year 2016.

**Updates on Marketing Activities**

* On November 2, 2015, DBVI initiated a 10-week sponsorship on WCVE public radio in Richmond. Initially, the campaign began with two messages to be rotated, with the ability to add additional messages to the rotation if desired. Because it was successful, additional sponsorships across the state were initiated for an additional ten weeks.
* The focus of the DBVI-Learning Collaborative Project has been the Vocational Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired (VRCBVI or the Center), the residential training facility of DBVI. VRCBVI is a key component of the comprehensive vocational rehabilitation program operated by DBVI. Specifically, we seek to more strongly correlate the services of the Center with successful employment outcomes for Virginians who are blind, deafblind and vision impaired and to optimize utilization of the Center. The goal was to develop a strategic plan for VRCBVI to increase employment outcomes for its students and to have in place appropriate metrics to measure its effectiveness in this effort. The grant funded portion of this project ended in September 2015. Efforts on this project continued on in order to develop a strategic plan. The four project focus areas to be incorporated in the strategic plan were 1) Align focus and expectations of Center policies and procedures; 2) Build fundamental employment capabilities into the training; 3) Ensure VRCBVI programming provides for high quality results and consumer flexibility and customization; 4) Maximize collaboration between Center and Field to ensure individual success of the students we serve. The project team drafted a model development document that outlined purpose, direction and deliverables for each of the 4 focus areas. A strategic plan to accomplish the established goals for VRCBVI was released earlier this month and is available at VRCBVI.org.

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, the DBVI VR program served 1,796 individuals statewide.  Two hundred of these individuals successfully achieved their employment goals.

**Career Pathways for Individuals with Disabilities Grant**

* DBVI and DARS jointly applied for this grant in September. Less than three weeks after applying for the grant, notice was received that Virginia was being awarded this five year grant. The purpose of the grant is to enhance the capacity of existing regional career pathways systems in Virginia to serve individuals with disabilities, including youth. The primary project goal is to help individuals with disabilities to acquire marketable skills and recognized post-secondary credentials that enable them to secure competitive integrated employment in high-demand, high-quality occupations. Together with career pathways system partners, the project will develop and test a model for implementing promising practices and strategies for youth and adults with disabilities to effectively access existing career pathways in at least two high-demand occupational clusters. DBVI has hired a project coordinator to work with DARS and the VR staff to ensure the success of this project.

 **Ms. Melissa Gibson, agency representative, Disability Law Center of Virginia (DLCV):**

* Currently concluding the final quarter of FY16, and finalizing its FY17 goals and objectives.
* dLCV would like to thank those who took the time to complete the annual survey during evaluation and review of organizational priorities.
* Recruiting is still underway for Coming of Age Conference, which will take place on September 24, 2016. dLCV also supported VBPD efforts on behalf of young people with disabilities by presenting at this year’s Youth Leadership Forum, where former VBPD staff Ms. Rachel Loria educated participants on employment rights.
* The [Ask the Expert](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EjFIjgd-fSw&feature=youtu.be) series continues, also highlighting employment for people with disabilities, looking specifically at specific concerns of individuals with disabilities who would like to go back to work, but are afraid of losing their benefits from Social Security.
* dLCV is continuing to implement its volunteer program, training volunteers and identifying appropriate ways they can support agency goals under the DD grant and other grant programs.
* dLCV is currently planning an update to [dlcv.org](http://www.dlcv.org). You can still visit dlcv.org to access dLCV’s online advocacy tools and important agency information. [You can find the most current information on dLCV’s Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/disAbilityLawVA/).

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chair called for other business. There being none, the Chair proceeded with closing comments and reminded board members to complete the Evaluation Forms, Committee Survey Forms, and to ensure their directory information is accurate. The meeting was then adjourned.