

Atlantic County
Disability Advisory Board
Minutes: March 12, 2019

Attendance: Joe Brown, John LaSala , Mark Petrella, Joanne Gahr, CheeKa Wu, Doortje Schipper, Linda Klersey, Carol Ditmire

Excused: Bob Ross, Trinna Rodgers

Absent: Doortje Schipper

Ex-Officio: Cristine Chickadel

Public: Ryan Penn

I. Call to Order: at 12:34 by Chairman Brown.

II. Approval of Minutes: The Sept. minutes were approved without revision.

III.

Committee Reports:

A. Legislation: None

B. Access:

1. Mark investigated WalMart EHT parking lot per another public comment about its accessible spaces. As regulation states (through Mark's delivered DOJ 2010 standards), measurement from center line to center line at 8ft. with a 5ft access aisle, measured compliant.

2. Joe made a Motion to investigate access points on our county beaches. List for assignment at April meeting will be delivered and requested by members.

(*Discussions re the beach access at Stockton in AC-their ramp/surface on sand is well extended. Take a look if you can)

3. Discussions re. the new Ventnor fishing pier remodel plan: Carol suggested a shade structure on the pier would be excellent! https://us17.campaign-archive.com/?u=9003a758d31c89ea09e43ebb1&id=0d937e1432&fbclid=IwAR1RcwOmaXRDX2v2v-EKaRf0AlZBTXseUzijX_QRwhfBqmh3GlcQZdMjrc0

IV. Old Business:

1. Newsletter Concept: In lieu of a DAB newsletter, Joe B. proposed posting the minutes and agenda's to the Disability pages of the county website. John L. would still like to see a newsletter.

V. New Business:

1. Interest in board members whom reside out of county. Bi-laws dictate residence. Maureen K. will investigate ad-hoc membership.
2. Bacharach Parking lot. Joe and Carol say big issue. Prior investigation found Atlanticare owns lot. Nothing has ever been done to rectify lack of, too small and regular encroachment to the accessible parking spaces. Joe suggested letter to request change.
3. Support animals poster shared as being posted throughout the county. Linda K commented there is still confusion. Maureen commented about a pitbull injury to a child with owner claiming it was a comfort animal. Cristine commented Service animals continue to be the hottest topic in ADA.
4. Re-distribution of our PSA. Please post and share to anyone, anywhere.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yp5FlKPLAg8>

VI. Good and Welfare:

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VII. Public Comment:

Ryan Penn discussed his credentials and interest in joining the board.

VII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:09pm.

Next meeting date April 9th, 2019 12:30pm, MOVED to: Bacharach's Cafeteria Pomona, NJ