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**ADVISORY BOARD ON DISABILITY SERVICES
JULY 13, 2018
CIVIC CENTER ROOM 301**

MINUTES

MEMBERS

Andrew Imlay
Mark Weatherwax
Tom Bozikis
Matthew Hoffman
Brian Kellems

STAFF

Bonnie Fox

Chairman Andrew Imlay called the monthly meeting of the Advisory Board on Disability Services to order on the above date.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Requests – There were no requests added to the agenda.

Roll was called with the above named board members and staff in attendance.

It was properly moved and seconded by Board Members Bozikis and Hoffmann respectively to accept the minutes of the May meeting as presented. Board members voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was reported that Dawn Westfall of the head injury support group from Deaconess Gateway Hospital would like to address the board at a future meeting. The support group has been moved from Deaconess Health South and her concern is the lack of public transportation to transport the people to the meetings which are held on Thursday

evenings at 6:00. She is interested in getting suggestions from the board on finding transportation to Gateway. Chairperson Imlay will try to get the presentation set for the August meeting which he announced will be on the 10th instead of August 3rd. It was also announced that the meeting in October will be October 12th due to the Fall Festival being on the 1st Friday of the month.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Imlay reported the changes to the ordinance were approved by the City Council on Monday night.

Chairman Imlay reported that the board will meet at the library to familiarize members with Title III. Surveys will be scheduled and Doug Goepfner from USI will meet with board members after the surveys are done to give a presentation and answer questions that board members might have on Title III.

Accessible Seating at Ford Center –

Board members discussed the accessible seating at the Ford Center. The board has asked that the city attorney or the attorney for the Human Relations Commission would be able to attend a future meeting to answer questions about the parking at the Ford Center. They have also inquired about having Sheriff Wedding and Chief Bolin to commit to coming to a meeting in hopes of answering questions on accessible parking for the Ford Center and the city. There were reports of the elevators closing too soon, which means if someone is in wheelchair or using a walker it doesn't allow enough time to get on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Governor's Council for people with disabilities needs a representative from this area to fill the position of retiring member Don Counts. Chairman Imlay will forward the application for the position to the members. He reported that the Council pays for transportation to attend the meetings that are held in Indianapolis.

National Disability Voter Registration will be held July 16-20, 2018.

Board members requested to have the County Clerk to address the group to answer questions about the accessible voting machines. It was reported that the chairs are not suitable for wheelchair users as the chairs do not get under the tables to be able to access the machines. Board member Weatherwax volunteered to test the accessible machines to report the problem areas.

Vice Chairman Brian Kellems will participate in I've Got Talent at Deaconess Hospital Johnson Hall on July 18th at 6:00 pm.

Nathan Smith has relocated back to Columbus creating a board vacancy. He was a County Council appointment.

Board member Weatherwax wanted to know what the procedure is for changes in meeting dates. He reported that the board needs to be accessible to the public so the public needs to know when the dates are changed.

Chairman Imlay reported that he will be stepping down in December.

The Human Relations Commission Annual Dinner will be held on October 10, 2018 at Old National Events Plaza with Delores Huerta as the keynote speaker. Ticket donation price is \$35.00.

It was properly moved and seconded by board members Kellems and Hoffmann respectively to adjourn meeting.