



Danbury Commission on Persons With disAbilities

155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810

John M. Gentile, Chair
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Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2010

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

1. Present:

Members: John Gentile, Roberto Perez, Chad Sinanian, Frances Ryan

Appointments Pending: Sharon Bartley, Karen Bogartz, Rose Marie Bouclier, Joanne LaPorta

Absent:

Members: Paul Kachevsky, Frank Reed

Guest: John Gentile Jr.

2. Approved the October 12, 2010 minutes

3. John Gentile: Phone log – No calls this month

4. Waiting for the approval of Commission appointments

5. The HART On-Demand Transportation Committee will meet Wednesday, November 10, 2010 in the HART headquarters at 10:30am. John Gentile will attend.

Discussion followed concerning the present bus service, noting that Sundays have only one bus in operation.

6. Certificate of Recognition was awarded to Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, November 7. John Gentile, Sharon Bartley, Rose Marie Bouclier and Joanne LaPorta presented the certificate to Fr Dennis.



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7. John Gentile shared two notes of interest from Frank Reed:
First, an individual contacted Frank to discuss not being able to make an appointment with a doctor even though the person had insurance through the State Husky Program. Frank intervened with a doctor's office and the patient was able to make an appointment. Second, the Developmental Disability (DD) Council will be holding a Parent Training Session in March. Frank was wondering if the Commission would be interested in hosting the event or some portion of it. Following a discussion the Commission decided that it needs more information before it makes a motion. Rose Marie Bouclier volunteered to gather information on school rental requirements.
8. Open discuss:
 - a. John Gentile asked members to start considering which area businesses would be considered for next year's recognition award
 - b. Chad Sinanian reminded Commission members that People First hold meetings at Ability Beyond Disabilities on the 3rd Thursday of the month however the November meeting will not be held
 - c. Chad Sinanian was appointed to the Protection and Advocacy Advisory Board
9. Next meeting will be on December 14th
10. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Ryan, Secretary

Attest,
John Gentile, Chairman