CITYWIDE CONFERENCE CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM #1117 3:00 - 5:00 pm

April is National Autism Awareness Month http://www.autism-society.org/about-us/national-autism-awareness-month/

Mission: The Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC) of the District of Columbia seeks to strengthen the voice of people with developmental disabilities and their families in DC in support of greater independence, inclusion, empowerment and the pursuit of life as they choose. We strive to create change that eliminates discrimination and removes barriers to full inclusion through our advocacy.

- I. Welcome, Introductions, & Going over the materials in the folders
- II. Review, Suggested Revisions & Approval of February 16th
 Minutes

III. Chair Report - Tina Campanella

- a. April 24th: DDS Budget Hearing Importance of having your voice heard
- b. March 8th and 9th: Revisiting the DDC Retreat What we achieved
- c. Update Regarding Victor Robinson
- d. Other Thoughts

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Public Policy and Outreach Committee: Aimee Griffin, Chair
- b. State Plan Implementation Committee: Susie King, Chair

V. Executive Director Report – Mat McCollough

- a. Release of District Olmstead Initiative, One Community for All
- b. National Disability Institute identified as DDC's vendor for the Financial Empowerment Program
- c. March 19-20: ADD Self Advocacy Summit in Baltimore
- d. ADD Commissioner Sharon Lewis' Blog: From Awareness to Respect
- e. May 7: Guest Blogger Invitation for Disability.Blog

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- f. DDC Participation at Upcoming Events
 - i. April 23–25: Disability Policy Seminar; Grand Hyatt Hotel
 - ii. April 28: Tech EE Talk Citywide Assistive Technology Expo for Intellectual Disabilities
 - iii. June 9: HSC Pediatric Center's Family and Community Health Expo
 - iv. June 19-20: ADD Technical Assistance Institute
 - v. June 27-29: APSE National Conference in Crystal City
 - vi. October 14-16: NACDD Annual Conference in Los Angeles, CA
- VI. Current Spending Summary Report Sudie Johnson
- VII. DDC Funded Programs Update
- VIII. Presentation: Are you prepared and ready?

 Darwin Ray, Serve DC Emergency Preparedness Program Manager
 Trudy Jones, Inclusion Research Institute Project Coordinator
- IX. Resources
 - a. National Disability Rights Network's Beyond Segregated and Exploited – Update on the Employment of People with Disabilities
 - b. Think College website from Illinois
- X. Announcements from DDC Members and Guests
- XI. DDC Executive Session
- XII. Closure

Tentative:
Next DDC Meeting
July 19, 2012
3-5:00 pm

Location: To be determined

Thanks so much for coming!! The DDC appreciates your support and dedication to people with developmental disabilities and their families!!