

**Loudoun County Government**  
**DISABILITIES SERVICES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**May 4, 2010**

**MEMBERS ATTENDING:** Frank Lombardi, Ken Shipman, Tim Tozer, Lovely Lall, Tom Wlodkowski.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joe Granata, Angela Shirazi, Julian Murray, Liz Mills, Anjan Chimaladinne.

**INACTIVE MEMBERS:** Greg Conrow

**STAFF:** Catherine Motivans, ADA Coordinator

**PUBLIC:** Tracee Garner (LEND); Rowena Beatty (Special Recreation Advisory Board)

Tracee Garner provided an update on the activities that LEND is preparing in anticipation of the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

1. Poster Contest: The DSB ADA Poster Subcommittee approved flyers and entry forms; Liz Mills is working on a press release; next meeting is Tuesday, May 11 at 7:00 pm in the Purcellville Room.
2. Gala: Date is July 24; site is the Dulles Marriott; approximate start time of 6:00 pm or 7:00 pm; Frank Lombardi's band will provide entertainment; Tracee is working on invitations.

Rowena Beatty, a member of the Special Recreation Advisory Board, provided an update on a change to the transportation policy. The Special Recreation Department offers summer camps for persons with disabilities. In the past, the Department offered door-to-door service. However, this often resulted in long rides for some of the campers. In an effort to provide better service, the Department will now provide transportation from regional pick-up locations. Ms. Beatty's contact information is: [beattyrk@wans.net](mailto:beattyrk@wans.net) and (703) 244-4941. Catherine Motivans will add Ms. Beatty to the DSB e-mail distribution list.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Frank called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Ken Shipman motioned to approve the April 2010 minutes; Tim Tozer seconded the motion. April 2010 minutes approved.

### **III. GUEST SPEAKER**

Brooke Anessa, Pediatric Case Manager, with Brain Injury Services, Inc. (“BIS”) addressed the DSB members. Ms. Anessa is a board member of the ARC of Northern Virginia. She obtained her undergraduate degree from George Mason University and her Masters in Social Work from Virginia Commonwealth University. Ms. Anessa’s interest in serving persons with disabilities primarily stems from her experiences with a brother who has downs syndrome. Ms. Anessa indicated that BIS is involved in community-based management. Although they have an office in Leesburg, Ms. Anessa reported that BIS only serves 10 children in all of Loudoun County. Ms. Anessa and the DSB members discussed possible ways in which both entities (BIS and DSB) could work together in the future. The DSB members agreed that this is something that should be pursued, especially with regards to increasing public awareness at the elementary school level of issues affecting persons with disabilities.

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. DSB Purpose and Priority Focus Areas**

Due to Joe’s absence, Frank asked to table this issue for the next DSB meeting.

#### **B. ADA 20-Year Celebration**

Ken reported on the ongoing efforts by the DSB to increase public awareness of the poster contest. DSB members are distributing flyers at recreation centers, community centers, and to their various contacts within the community. Ken mentioned the Arts Square as a possible location for the poster contest.

### **V. STAFF REPORT**

Catherine reported that the big, heavy doors leading into the public meeting area of the Board of Supervisors will shortly become electronic doors by August 2010. Catherine advised the DSB of a public form for reporting ADA violations of building codes. DSB members discussed the form and its potential use on the DSB website as a link.

### **VI. Other Business-Announcements**

Frank presented a Shining Star Award to Catherine Motivans in recognition of Catherine’s unselfish efforts in serving her community.

A motion to adjourn was passed at 8:45 p.m.

**Next Meeting: June 1, 7:00 p.m.**