



STATE OF WASHINGTON

GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY ISSUES AND EMPLOYMENT

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**Accessible Communities (AC) Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2023, 4:30-5:30 pm**

1. AC Subcommittee Member Roll Call:

Warren Weissman, Chair; Lucy Barefoot, Dave Carl, Cullyn Foxlee, Damiana Harper, Autumn Harris, and Steve Lewis

Absent: Clarence Eskridge, Vice-Chair; and Christa Hewitt.

Staff: Elizabeth Gordon, GCDE Executive Director; Elaine Stefanowicz, Program Coordinator

2. Approval of April Meeting Minutes: approved as written.

3. Discuss and vote on proposals:

Warren reminded everyone are we changing to two funding tracks starting the next fiscal year (July 1, 2023). We will continue to fund grants under \$10,000 twice per year and will consider grants over \$10,000 once per year.

Jefferson County ACAC Church Proposal:

- **Vote: There were seven (7) yes votes, zero (0) no votes, and no abstentions.
Proposal approved for funding of \$5,678.52.**

Pierce County ACAC Retirement Center Door Openers:

- **Vote: There were seven (6) yes votes, one (1) no vote, and no abstentions.
Proposal approved for funding of \$10,000.**

Thurston County ACAC Voting Center Proposal:

- **Vote: There were seven (7) yes votes, zero (0) no votes, and no abstentions.
Proposal approved for funding of \$25,410.**

4. Contracts for Kitsap and Walla Walla ACACs.

Kitsap County: Warren and Elaine are meeting with Kitsap County next week to discuss changes to their grant. Poulsbo will be housing their adaptive bikes now and will develop a check-out system. We need to make sure the grant money is still being used as intended.

Walla Walla: Their ACAC is struggling to get the Board of Commissioners to sign their contracts because they are concerned about liability for the county government. We have

given the ACAC until the end of June to resolve these conflicts or will have to cancel the contracts.

**Next AC Subcommittee Meeting:
June 21, 2023, at 4:30 pm**