



Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment
Legislative Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
Friday, May 9, 2025
9:00 a.m.

Attendees: Patti Dailey-Shives, Chair; Jaida Barrows, Amy Cloud, Marsha Cutting, Kristin DiBiase, Lucas Doelman, Steve Lewis, and Angie West. Staff: Elizabeth Gordon and Elaine Stefanowicz.

1. Approval of agenda and minutes. (Quorum = 7). Agenda: Marsha made a motion to approve the agenda and Amy seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the agenda was approved as written. Minutes: Amy made a motion to approve the minutes and Marsha seconded the motion. There were no objections, and the minutes were approved as written.
2. Updates from Elizabeth. See attached spreadsheet.

Brit shared the Disability Rights Washington report - Transportation Access for Everyone: Washington State

<https://disabilityrightswa.org/reports/transportation-access-for-everyone-washington-state/>

Brit also shared the Disability Mobility Initiative.

<https://disabilityrightswa.org/programs/disabilitymobility/>

Right to Repair Bill: Marsha said that the Right to Repair signing is scheduled for Saturday, May 17. Marsha asked if there are plans for the (July 26) 30th anniversary of

the signing of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). Elizabeth said GCDE is not doing an event because of the budget and travel freeze. However, we are joining with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and other community partners. We may share information about ADA on the GCDE listserv to commemorate the event.

3. Sharing of any legislative contacts from members. Members shared their latest interactions with their local legislators.
4. Where do we go from here? Amy: zoom bombing. Elizabeth shared that she met with the Attorney General. She found out that we can have meeting visitors without them sharing their audio and video, but they will not be about to change their name. Staff has been trained how to remove people from the meeting. For public comment we can “limit to only 2 issues” or have public comment in writing.
5. Next steps.
 - a. What didn’t get passed that is likely to get reintroduced.
 - b. Celebrate our victories including Right to Repair championed by Marsha Cutting.
 - c. The compromise approach to the closure of Rainier School. Patti gave an update on Rainier School. For the next legislative session, they will talk about closing Yakima. They are not allowing new residents in the facility.
6. The May 23 meeting was canceled, and the June 20 meeting was rescheduled for Friday, June 27 at 9:00 am.

Next meeting is Friday, June 27, 2025, at 9:00 am

