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GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY ISSUES AND EMPLOYMENT

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Accessible Communities (AC) Subcommittee Minutes October 1, 2025, 4:30-5:30 pm

1. AC Subcommittee Member Roll Call: (Quorum = 4)

Steve Lewis, Chair; Cullynn Foxlee; Vice Chair, Lucy Barefoot, Angela Romeo, and Lyn Sowdon.

Staff: Elizabeth Gordon and Elaine Stefanowicz, Program Coordinator

- 1. Approve agenda and minutes for August. Minutes: Lyn made a motion to approve the August minutes, and Cullynn seconded the motion. None were opposed. Minutes were approved as written. Agenda: Cullynn made a motion to approve the October agenda, and Lyn seconded the motion. None were opposed. Agenda was approved as written.**
- 2. Debrief on All-County ACAC meeting. Elaine will send the meeting PowerPoint to the ACACs and the contact information that was shared. Everyone thought the meeting went well, and people participated in chat to network with others. They made good connections. People appreciated the guest speaker. They had good context and examples. The ACACs did well with their survey responses, and we had good attendance. The group conversation was engaging and had buy-in from the counties. The PowerPoint was well done.**

Elizabeth reminded everyone that GCDE members, especially those on the AC subcommittee, can't be involved in helping ACACs get funding or help in selecting projects, developing proposals, etc. It is an ethics issue because we are involved in awarding funding. We must be impartial.

All-County Meeting Suggestions: One person thought the one-hour timeframe was fine. Another person thought we should extend the meeting to an hour and a half, so it doesn't seem rushed. We needed closing time for questions, comments, and feedback.

Include reasonable accommodation (ASL, etc.) requests in the Zoom registration. Send a survey with the possibility of future meetings. Maybe cover recruitment more in depth at a future meeting.

- 3. AC Goals. Cullynn suggested having an all-county meeting twice a year. Steve suggested having subcommittee meetings every other month in 2026. Like this year, we could have workgroup meetings in the off months to plan the all-county meeting(s).**
- 4. 2026 Vice Chair Nominations. Members, please consider running for vice chair.**

**Next AC Subcommittee Meeting:
November 5, 2025, at 4:30 pm**