

**Schaumburg Township**  
**Committee for Disabled Citizens**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
*Tuesday, April 16, 2019*

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.
- II. Roll Call (the following were in attendance):  
Trustee Liaison Bob Vinnedge  
Mark Chereso  
Micki Coppel  
Bill Eliasek  
Eva Feng  
Andrew Miller  
Coral Cerny  
Megan Conway
- III. Approval of Minutes  
Motion by Bill; Second by Mark. Motion carried.
- IV. Reports
- A. Chairperson's Report  
The next monthly work group meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18. Both Chairperson and committee member Eva Feng are planning to attend. Meetings are held monthly at the Temple Beth-El in Northbrook. The work group meetings are sponsored by Community Alternatives Unlimited and provide information and legislative updates for people with disabilities. Chairperson also discussed going to Washington D.C for a Disability Policy Seminar. The two-day seminar featured time spent reaching out to congress and other policy information. Chairperson reports specific information related to ABLE accounts and that participation is low; there is conversation to increase the age of disability onset to 46 years old in order to accommodate adults who become disabled later in life (for example, due to military service). There is support from Illinois legislators Jan Shakowsky, Tammy Duckworth, and Dick Durbin about this legislation. There was also a push to support Money Follows the Person funding to allow people to reside in the least restrictive setting possible and provide support in community-based settings. Chairperson also reports information on the LEND program to provide young children access to developmental pediatricians and other services.
- B. Trustee Liaison's Report  
Trustee Vinnedge shared that Supervisor Mary Wroblewski will be retiring as Supervisor at the end of April. Appointments may happen at the next meeting to fill the vacancy. If a vacancy for another position remains, the public will be invited to apply. Trustee reports a very successful Township Officials of Cook County (TOCC) Trustee meeting with 26-29 people attending. Disability Services Director Megan Conway presented information on cost-effective programming ideas. Her information was well received. Trustee will also be speaking to the Lions Club on Townships and services available at the Township level.
- C. Director's Report  
Written report on file. Regrettably, long-time member Diane Fatouros submitted her resignation citing health concerns. Diane requested to become an Associate Member and to be included in information for future business/volunteer opportunities. Director shared an idea to solicit art from community members with disabilities to be displayed around the department/township. In the next newsletter, more information will be available. The Senior Department will also be launching a social drop-in group for people with memory loss and their caregivers. The group will provide a welcoming environment with activities, exercise, snacks, reminiscence and more. More details to come! TOCC Township Day will be on June 15. We will be hosting a Fashion Show as well as showcasing Township services. Administrator

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 7:00 PM  
At the Township of Schaumburg – 1 Illinois Blvd, Hoffman Estates, IL, 60169

Suzanne McVey and department heads met with Representative Michelle Mussman about Townships and the vital services provided on April 16.

V. Old Business

A. Breakfast with the Bunny Recap

The first annual Breakfast with the Bunny event was a great success! We received positive feedback regarding the food, decorations, and bunny. There were 75 attendees, including 21 children with disabilities. We are looking forward to offering the event in the future!

B. By-Laws Review/Committee Update

A revised version of the By-Laws was presented to the Committee. The Committee discussed the document including proposed changes to the Committee name. With By-Laws approval, the Board will review the proposed revision at the Board meeting on May 22.

a. Approval of revision to the By-Laws

Motion by Micki; Second by Bill. Motion carried.

VI. New Business

A. Approval of Diane Fatouros as Associate Member

Motion by Micki; Second by Bill. Motion carried.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Bill; Second by Mark. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.