

CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
Disabilities Action Team (DAT)
September 15, 2015 Action Results

The Disabilities Action Team of the City of Mesa met on September 15, 2015
at 5:45pm at the Mesa City Plaza, 20 E. Main St. Ste. 170.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>	<u>GUESTS</u>
Denise Heap, Chair LuAnn Schmidt, Vice-Chair Cheryl Anderson Colleen Byron Mark Tompert		Bethany Freeland Ruth Giese	

1. Call to Order.

Ms. Heap called the meeting to order at 5:42pm.

- Appoint position of Chair and Vice-Chair.

Ms. Heap appointed herself as Chair and Ms. Schmidt as Vice-Chair of the subcommittee.

2. Items from citizens present.*

There were no citizens who requested to speak to DAT.

3. Approval of minutes from the September 16th, 2014 DAT meeting.

Mr. Tompert made a motion to approve the June 16th, 2015 DAT meeting minutes, Ms. Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion moved unanimously.

4. Hear update, discuss, and take action on ways to create options for the best methods and topics to educate the business community on mental health and substance abuse issues for the second town hall meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Tompert to move forward with contacting Sally Harrison with the Chamber of Commerce to inquire about a presentation from the DAT being added as an agenda item to their Board. Also, for Ms. Anderson to work with Bill McCallister of the MARC Center to put together the presentation information. Dr. Byron seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. Hear update, discuss, and take action on ways to raise community awareness about issues impacting people with disabilities, and evaluate the adequacy of services and programs for people with disabilities and the implementation of the ADA.

Ms. Heap motioned to split this agenda item into two separate items. The new items would be: 1) hear update, discuss, and take action on ways to raise community awareness about issues impacting people with disabilities. 2) Collect information and recommend ways to support the adequacy of services and programs for people with disabilities and the implementation of the ADA. Mr. Tompert seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Hear update, discuss, and take action on monitoring of the Mesa City Court protocol for diverting defendants who have mental health issues, veterans, or are homeless.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

7. Hear update, discuss, and take action on input about design standards for adapting housing for people with disabilities.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

8. Hear update, discuss, and take action on raising awareness and education the public about Dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

Discussion only; no formal action taken by the Board.

9. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information.

- Next DAT meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20th, 2015 at 5:45pm.
- Future Agenda Items:
 - Monitor transportation services for people with disabilities including reviewing a quarterly report and annual report on East Valley Dial-A-Ride.

10. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18pm.

Submitted By:



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