



LCPD

May 4, 2023

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Minutes

- Present: Rich Foster, Anita Bennett, Rick McFadden, Gina Pola Money, Janet Wade, Jennifer Miller Smith, Jan Ferre, Linda Hansen, Christi Carpenter, Marian Furst, Lisa Thornton, Ashley Durham, JoLynne Lyon, Mary Urie, Tina Persels, and The Functional Skills Classroom at East High.

**Approval of the Legislative Report**– Motion to approve – Jennifer Miller Smith

Seconded – Gina Pola Money

All in favor

No Nays, No Abstentions

**Voting on Committee Assignments** – Co-chairs of Social Services Committee

Lisa Thornton and Anneli Smith

Motion to approve – Linda Hansen

Seconded – Jan Ferre

All in favor

No Nays, No Abstentions

**Introduction of the New Web Site:**

Janet thanked Utah State University for hosting the web site over the years. The new web site can be found at [www.lcpdutah.org](http://www.lcpdutah.org). We are still working on several sections and are reviewing the pages for accessibility. Please be patient while we finalize the site.

If you wish to continue your membership with LCPD current, please access the membership page on the web site and fill out the form. [www.lcpdutah.org/become-a-member.aspx](http://www.lcpdutah.org/become-a-member.aspx)



## **Award Presentations-Gina Pola Money**

### **Teacher Advocacy Champion**

Gina Introduced the Functional Skills Classroom at East High. Adam Persels is a student in the class. Adam, his mom Tina, and his father attended the LCPD Legislative Reception in January where they met with legislators and Mike Mauer, a member of the Governor's Staff. The Functional Skills classroom went in support of Adam. Miss Taylor helped all the students create letters to the legislators to advocate for adults that are Technology Dependent. The goal is that they will have equal access to services. The students are all learning to be self-advocates as many will graduate from the public education program as they move into adulthood. Tina commented that Legislators asked the students for letters during the reception. We look forward to seeing the students at future LCPD meetings.

Gina also mentioned that a small group is also working on legislature to adopt the Katie Beckett Waiver.

**Legislative Champion** – Representative Ward for his work on the wait list.

**Family Advocate Champion** – Lisa Thornton for her tireless work on coordinating family advocates in educating Legislators on Caregiver Compensation

**Legislative Champion Award** – Senator Harper for his continued support of Family Caregivers with the passing of The Caregiver Compensation Bill. Senator Harper was present on zoom to receive his award. He was warmly thanked by all.

**Calendar** – Anita Bennett

Janet suggested that the Leadership team plus, committee chairs and other interested parties, should meet on the first Thursday of the month at 12:30 pm. Anyone that is interested would be welcome to attend. Information on the meetings will be on the web site.

### **AOB**

Marion Furst asked if anyone has concerns regarding insurance coverage for medications with admission to a skilled nursing facility. Medicaid will only pay 60-90 days in a skilled nursing facility. Marian is also interested in anything related to rare diseases.

Gina informed everyone that the zoom link will change for the 23-24 LCPD meetings. Meeting agendas with the zoom link will be posted on the web site.

Jennifer Miller Smith announced the State Democratic Disability Caucus Meeting on May 15 at 6 pm.



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