**MEETING AGENDA**

**Texas Governor’s Committee on People with Disabilities**

August 21 - 22, 2019

Region 17 Education Service Center (ESC)

South Conference Center, Conference Room B

1111 W Loop 289, Lubbock, Texas 79416

Zoom webinar link: <https://zoom.us/j/410274129>

**August 21, 2019, 1:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order / Roll Call / Introductions – Aaron Bangor, Chair
2. Welcome by Host – Kyle Wargo, Executive Director, Region 17 ESC
3. Approval of June 11-12, 2019 Meeting Minutes (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
4. Public Comment (*Limited to 3 minutes per presentation*)
5. Election of Committee Vice Chair (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
6. Presentation: Diversion for Offenders with Mental Illness in the Texas Criminal Justice System - Brian D. Shannon, JD, Texas Tech University *(Discussion / Possible Action)*
7. Presentation: Criminal Justice Update for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities – Kyle Piccolo, The ARC of Texas *(Discussion / Possible Action)*
8. Presentation: TWC Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Former Texas Department of Criminal Justice Offenders with Disabilities – Jonas Schwartz, Texas Workforce Commission *(Discussion / Possible Action)*
9. Reports from Invited Exofficio Agency Representatives *(Discussion / Possible Action)*

* Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS)
* Department of Licensing & Regulation, Architectural Barriers (TDLR)
* Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
* Texas Education Agency (TEA)
* Texas State Independent Living Council (TxSILC)
* Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)

1. Exofficio Agency Follow-Up to June 11-12, 2019 Meeting *(Discussion / Possible Action)*

* Vocational Rehabilitation Support for Deaf Students Attending Out-of-State Colleges and Universities, TWC
* Audiological Impairment Certification Training, TEA
* Access Curriculum Advisory Committee, TEA
* Use of Rider Funds for Captioning of Curriculum, TEA
* Review of “Denial Letter for Approval” in Medically Dependent Children’s Program, HHSC
* Medicaid Reimbursement Rates for Audiological Services and Devices, HHSC

1. Meeting Recess, 5:30 p.m.

**August 22, 2019, 8:00 a.m.**

1. Reconvene Meeting– Chair Aaron Bangor
2. Public Comment (*Limited to 3 minutes per presentation*)
3. Presentation: LIFE/RUN Independent Living Center - Michelle Crain, Executive Director (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
4. Presentation: HHSC Board for Evaluation of Interpreters and the Administrative Barriers for Interpreter Testing, and Reimbursement for Interpreter Services for Client No-Shows - Sammie Sheppard, Texas Society of Interpreters for the Deaf Interpreter Educator Special Interest Group (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
5. Continuation of Exofficio Agency Reports and Follow-Up to June 11-12, 2019 Meeting *(Discussion / Possible Action)*
6. Executive Director’s Report – Ron Lucey
7. Member Reports on Community Outreach (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
8. Policy Development based on the Committee’s issue areas of Access, Communications, Education, Emergency Preparedness, Health, Housing, Recreation, Transportation, Veterans and Workforce (*Discussion / Possible Action*)

* 86th Legislative Session Wrap-Up
* Topics for Inclusion in 2021-2022 Biennium

1. Future Meetings (*Discussion / Possible Action*)
2. Adjournment

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