



Madison City Disability Advocacy Board

January 2017 Advisory Board Minutes

City of Madison, Alabama

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

Alternate Meeting Date to De-conflict with Valentine's Day, 2/14/17. Met Dublin Park Meeting Room

Members present: Keith, Jackie, Maura, Michael, Paula, Tina, Willard

Guests present: None. Gayle Milam, Parks & Recreation, was not able to attend due to illness.



Called to order by Chairman at 6:10 P.M.

Minutes for 1/10/17 Approved as written/distributed.

Maura Wroblewski will post on City website monthly.

The February MCDAB meeting was a “working meeting” to consider membership’s activities preferences for the current year so that (1) lead responsibilities for events/activities can be established and (2) a budget can be presented to Madison City Council.

Various dates for further planning and actions were presented and will be confirmed as the mayor and others are available.

3/8/17, Keith Bedsole is on Mayor Finley’ calendar to discuss the work of MCDAB and to invite him to MCDAB meeting(s). It is noted that MCDAB was formed during his first Mayoral administration.



3/27/17, Chairman Keith Bedsole will present the 2017 budget for MCDAB to Madison City Council. MCDAB members are encouraged to attend.

4/10/17 Willard will be honored as an inductee into the Huntsville/Madison County Athletic Hall of Fame. VBCC. MCDAB purchased a table and everyone is invited to attend with spouse/guest to recognize Willard.

4/15/17, Saturday before Easter, there will be an Easter Egg hunt at Kinds Kingdome then other activities will be moved into the Dublin Park gymnasium. Tina will work details with Gayle, including the hiding of the eggs about 8:30 AM. Willard will discuss AMBUCS participation in this event with Tammy. Cost for confetti egg prizes in 2016, \$280.42.

5/20/17, Fishing Rodeo, 9 AM – 12 PM, Dublin Park pond. Cost for snacks/bait/goodies in 2016, \$229.68.



6/17/17, Family Fun Day, 10 AM- 5 PM, VBCC and will be good opportunity to present MCDAB's mission to public. Keith to check on business/id cards for MCDAB members.

MCDAB will focus on use of USSRC scholarship opportunity this year so that a child with/without family member can attend Space Camp.

MCDAB will also review opportunities to honor and recognize supportive businesses/individuals/organizations as has been done in the past.

In the fall 2017, interest was expressed in being a part of the Children's Health Expo and the Special Olympics.



Also, Jackie and Paula will work on a Training Job Fair in October to coincide with National Disabilities Week. Focus will be on including SHRM members so that they can get CEU credits. It is hoped that some kind of internship program can be established.

Tina expressed concerns that there always seems to be a committee of MCDAB membership doing things, but that we need to reach out to include/collaborate with other entities in the community. Gayle supports the same approach and Tina will become a liaison to bring in AMBUCS, etc. as appropriate.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40.