



August COD Meeting Minutes
August 15.2023

Present: Chair Mike McCue, Daryl Blaney, Gino Brazeau, Lesley Allison; Absent: Rose-Marie Bissonnette; Volunteers present: Jim Peters, Kathy Suits, Bonnie Commacho

Meeting started: 6:21pm

1. July Meeting minutes were accepted.
2. Lancaster Accessibility Awareness Month (LAAM) ideas:
 - a. Joe Mule Podcast: We should consider asking library employees for ideas of who to interview. COD members should all consider who could be interviewed. Kathy said she would ask for ideas from Kelly and Caitlyn at the Community Center. Mike to set up a meeting with Joe Mule/ TML
 - b. Purchase 100 pamphlets from The Invisible Disability Association
 - i. Some appropriate choices might be: "Don't judge by appearances", "Looks can be deceiving", and "Why don't they just take something"
 - ii. Place pamphlets in library, community center, post office
 - iii. Lesley and Jim will investigate the flyers
 - iv. Pamphlets could be handed out to churches
 - c. Podcasts on The Invisible Disability Association website. The podcasts are on Youtube and could be sent in emails to promote.
 - d. Invisible Disability Posters: Blue reflection posters: Consider ordering 1-2
 - e. Information could be promoted in the Community Crier for October. It would need to be submitted to the LCC before September 15th. Kathy will work on copy for this opportunity.
 - f. Churches - Could be included in some way again this year. Perhaps we could hand out some pamphlets to the congregations.
 - g. Emergency Prep Guide - Possible presentation at the Community Center with an emergency responder such as Mike Hanson
 - h. Schools - An email could be drafted to include all Lancaster schools that could include a link to the Invisible Disability Association website
3. Action Items / Recent Activity status
 - a. Handicapped parking, accessible gazebo mat, and automatic door at the Prescott Building have not been addressed at this time.
 - b. Website - Mike to forward emails to Jim from Christine to use as a starting point.

Adjourned: 7:53pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley Allison