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Sen. Stephanie L. Hansen  
Sen. Ernesto Lopez  
Sen. John Walsh



Rep. David Bentz, Co-Chair  
Rep. Andria L. Bennett  
Rep. Jeffrey N. Spiegelman  
Rep. Sherry Dorsey Walker  
Rep. Lyndon D. Yearick

## STATE OF DELAWARE

### JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT AND SUNSET COMMITTEE

#### DVI and APS Minutes – 04.02.2019

Chair Lockman called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Committee members present included Chair Lockman and Co-Chair Bentz; Representatives Bennett, Spiegelman, Dorsey Walker, and Yearick; Senators Delcollo, Hansen, and Lopez. Staff present included Mark Brainard, Jr. & Amanda McAtee, JLOSC Analysts; Mark Cutrona, Deputy Director of the Division of Research; Victoria Brennan, Senior Legislative Analyst, Office of the Controller General; Natalie White, Administrative Specialist; and Grace Pedersen, Legislative Fellow. A quorum was met.

Chair Lockman welcomed the members of the committee to the Division for the Visually Impaired (DVI) and Adult Protective Services (APS) presentation meeting and called for introductions.

Chair Lockman moved to item number 2 on the agenda, the approval of the March 19, 2019 Orientation Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Representative Spiegelman to approve the March 19, 2019 Orientation Meeting Minutes, and was seconded by Representative Bennett. The motion carried 6-0, with Senators Lockman and Lopez, and Representatives Bentz, Bennett, Spiegelman, and Yearick voting in favor, no opposed, 4 absent (Senators Hansen, Delcollo, and Walsh; Representative Dorsey Walker).

Chair Lockman moved to item number 3 on the agenda, the presentation from the Division for the Visually Impaired. Director of the Division of the Visually Impaired Elisha Jenkins introduced staff from DVI. Director Jenkins and Deputy Director Sandra Miller gave a presentation about the history and services of DVI. Representatives Yearick, Bennett, and Spiegelman asked questions. Director Jenkins and DVI staff member Ann Weaver provided clarification. Public comment featured testimony from Lloyd Schmitz and Pat Carzo from Council for the Blind, Anthony Palnini, Wayne Marsh, and Gary Pizzolo from the Blind Vendors Committee, Robert Overmiller and Sybil Baker from the Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens, Patty Addison and Terri Marsh from BlindSight Delaware, DVI clients Debra and David Trevino, Khalil Abdul-Mjid, William McCafferty, Carol King-Ries, and Thomas Newcomb, and members of the public Sonya Lawrence and Kevin McAllister.

Chair Lockman moved to item number 4 on the agenda, the presentation from Adult Protective Services. Director of the Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD) Dava Newnam gave a presentation about services provided by APS, a program of DSAAPD. Senators Delcollo, Hansen, Lopez, and Representatives Bennett, Dorsey Walker,

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Spiegelman, and Yearick asked questions. Director Newnam provided clarification. Public comment featured testimony from Robert Overmiller, Lexi McFassel, and Linda Birmingham.

Chair Lockman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:08 p.m., which was seconded by Representative Dorsey Walker. The motion carried 9-0, with Senators Lockman, Hansen, Delcollo, and Lopez; and Representatives Bentz, Bennett, Dorsey Walker, Spiegelman, and Yearick voting in favor, no opposed, 1 absent (Senator Walsh).

Respectfully prepared by:

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*Access to the audio recording of this proceeding is available upon request.*