

Milton Disability Awareness Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Feb 13, 2013

**Committee Members In Attendance:** Ken Woods, Renee Catanzaro, Van Black, Dudley Arnold, and Tass Welch.

**MDAC Liaison:** Sudie Gordon

**Ken Woods called the meeting to order.**

**Agenda item:**

**Minutes:**

Minutes are signed off on and motion for approval made by Renee Catanzaro and 2nd by Dudley Arnold and vote carried to approve minutes.

**Initial check in for involvement as it relates to disabilities:**

**Expo**

No one attended from our group on either Saturday or Sunday. Canine Assistants was in attendance as a vendor.

They had activities for both adults and youth.

**SCAD (Savannah College of Art & Design)**

Van shared that his wife is attending Savannah College of Art & Design. (SCAD). They have a strong focus on universal design/accessibility and the professors want to help in real world projects. Renee states that they are internationally well known. SCAD will be happy to help us with anything we might need.

We all said that it would be great if we had a community center that they could help us with universal design. Van is going to have his wife talk with Dara to introduce them.

**Dudley** had an opportunity to view a design that his friend did for an All Accessibility Park. He was going to assist but was not available & is now going to go and take photos so that we can see it. He will get more details so that we can see it.

It is completed so he will get a website and photos for us.

**Tass** went to a couple of restaurants that restrooms were not wheelchair accessibility. I told them that we would bring cards by and would be glad to get someone to come by and help them.

Here is the beginning of a card so that we can at least have a starting place. MDAC has a logo and we have a new City of Milton logo that could put that in as well. We now have a card committee: Tass as chair, Renee, Van and Dudley are on the committee. Renee talked about doing a photo, especially something that would showcase Milton. Renee made a motion that Tass be the chair and that the committee is the above. Dudley seconded and the vote passed.

Ken asked if there was a budget. Sudie said there was not. Jason can be our graphic design person. We could print at City of Milton. We could use this at Earth Day and hand them out. If we don't have a booth then maybe Canines Assistants could have the cards at their table.

Logo does not make it as personable as photos. Will get Jason involved so that we just print on cardstock so that there won't be a great expense. We can get the lawyer to help us with a statement that makes the photos and cards City of Milton property.

### New Business

Election for Ken's position as chair will end next month.

- So, the next meeting we will vote on new chair.
- He is willing to serve on the committee if we would still want him to do that.
- We can discuss that in more detail.
- We need to realize that someone stepping up needs to have the time commitment, energy and new ideas.
- Ken does not want to be an acting chair because it can be indefinite.
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Anise's position needs to be replaced she no longer lives or works in Milton.

- Renee asked about Van's wife and he stated school is too involved.
- Amanda is no longer working for city she is with Olde Blind Dog.
- Tass to ask council members to suggest someone.
- Tass to reach out to Julie Bell that is on Better Together committee. Also, reach out to others on that committee. (Grant money not coming about any more. Milton turned down)
- Van to ask Milton Business Alliance to see if anyone is interested.
- Dudley to ask long term volunteers that live in Milton to see if someone is interested.

Process for new committee member:

- Invite them to visit committee.
- Need their bio and information.
- It says that board will elect Chair and Vice Chair
- Committee must be 7 members & have experience and expertise in disability.

Next meeting we will hold an election for Ken's position as committee meeting. ~~We can also talk outside the meeting to see if there is someone that is interested in being the chair.~~ Then, we can discuss and elect someone as chair. We also can see if we have people interested in Anise's position. *AW*

Motion to dismiss the meeting was made by Van Black and second by Renee. Vote was unanimous.

Minutes Submitted By: Tass Welch

Minutes Approved By: *Kennard Woods*  
Kennard Woods, Chair

Date Approved: 3.13.13