



# Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Council (PaRC)

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*The mission of the Council is to inform and advise the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, the State Board of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Legislature, and the Governor on the diverse issues affecting employment of people with disabilities.*

## FULL COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

### MEETING AGENDA

- 9:30 AM **WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS:** Mr. Paul Fogle, Chair
- PaRC Mission Statement – Ms. Michele Leahy
  - Roll Call of Council Members – Ms. Nichole Wade, moderator
  - Discussion of Agenda Additions
- ACTION: Approval of today's Meeting Agenda**  
**ACTION: Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 19, 2022**
- PaRC FISCAL REPORT (2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER):** Ms. Jeanette Alexander, Member at Large  
**ACTION: Approval of PaRC 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Fiscal Report**
- 9:35 AM **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY – INTRODUCTION**  
Ms. Nancy Walker, Acting Secretary, PA Department of Labor & Industry
- 10:00 AM **OVR DIRECTOR'S REPORT**  
Mr. Ryan Hyde, OVR Executive Director
- 10:45 AM **OVR UPDATE: QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT STATE PLAN / WIOA COMMON PERFORMANCE MEASURES / COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CSNA)**  
Ms. Lee Ann Stewart, Division Chief of Policy, Staff Development & Training  
Mr. Jim Whitonis, VR Specialist
- 10:55 AM **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 11:05 AM **BREAK**
- 11:15 AM **PRESENTATION: UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (UC)**  
Ms. Susan Dickinson, Director of the Office of UC Benefits Policy
- 11:45 AM **OVR UPDATE: BENEFITS COUNSELING**  
Ms. Jennifer Radick, Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist, Ticket to Work Program and Benefits Counseling/Planning

12:00 PM

## **OVR POLICY UPDATES**

- Driving and Vehicle Services
- Supported Employment
- On-the-Job Training
- Audiological Services
- Early Reach

12:30 PM

## **PaRC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Recommendations / Discussion**
  - OVR Mediator and Impartial Hearing Officer
    - ❖ Discussion and consideration of Ms. Charlotte Andrews, Mr. Paul Stengle, and Ms. Pat Kennedy
  - FC Meeting Format August 2023
- **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE: Recommendations / Discussion:**
  - Ms. Twana Jones and Ms. Joan Myers Goodman for PaRC membership to represent category of Business / Labor / Industry
    - ACTION: Approval of forwarding Ms. Twana Jones' application to the Governor for consideration of appointment to the Council to represent Business/Labor/Industry**
    - ACTION: Approval of forwarding Ms. Joan Myers Goodman's application to the Governor for consideration of appointment to the Council to represent Business/Labor/Industry**
  - Revisions to the PaRC Bylaws
    - ACTION: Approval of the revised PaRC Bylaws**
  - Revisions to the PaRC Handbook / Policies / Procedures
    - ACTION: Approval of the revised PaRC Handbook / Policies / Procedures**
  - Drafted warning letter to PaRC members for notification of lack of attendance
    - ACTION: Approval of the Warning Letter to send to PaRC members for notification of lack of attendance during Full Council and Committee meetings**
  - Revisions made to PaRC PowerPoint for guiding new member orientation
    - **ACTION: Approval of the revised PaRC PowerPoint for guiding new member orientation**
- **POLICY COMMITTEE: Recommendations / Discussion**
  - Drafted Steps for Committee's to follow when providing review and recommendation of proposed OVR Policies
    - ACTION: Approval of protocol for Committees to follow when providing review and recommendation of proposed OVR Policies.**

- Revised the Citizen Advisory Committees' (CAC) Training Manual  
**ACTION: Approval of the revisions to the Citizen Advisory Committees' Training Manual.**
- **SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE: Recommendations / Discussion**
  - Revisions made to PowerPoint for guiding PaRC outreach & informative presentations  
**ACTION: Approval of PaRC PowerPoint for guiding PaRC outreach & informative presentations**
- **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: Recommendations / Discussion**
  - Drafted letter to the new Governor informing him of the PaRC  
**ACTION: Approval of letter to Governor Shapiro informing him about the PaRC**
- **TRANSITION COMMITTEE UPDATE**
  - Presentation: Dr. David Mann, Senior Researcher, Mathematica – new project with OVR: Social Security Administration has awarded Mathematica a grant to test a new service model for transition age youth with disabilities.
- **CAREERLINK COMMITTEE UPDATE**
- **AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE - HIRAM G. ANDREWS CENTER**

12:50 PM **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1:00 PM **ADJOURN**

***NEXT PaRC ZOOM MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023***

All members of the public are welcome to join any meeting by Zoom or to reserve in person attendance at the UCP/PaRC business office at 55 Utley Dr. Camp Hill, PA 17011, please contact PaRC staff at [parc@parehabilitationcouncil.org](mailto:parc@parehabilitationcouncil.org) or at 717-975-2004 at least three days before the meeting taking place. In person meeting is subject to change upon any new COVID-19 recommendations. Masks, social distancing, and other safety measures may be followed. Additional accommodations are available upon a timely request. Anyone who would like to make Public Comment prior to the meeting may submit comments to [parc@parehabilitationcouncil.org](mailto:parc@parehabilitationcouncil.org) or at (717) 975-2004.