# CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) TO THE

## READING OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR)

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### MEETING AGENDA

NOTE: Document is posted on Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Council (PaRC) website.

TYPE: Full Committee Meeting (Open To The Public)

LOCATION: Virtual via Microsoft Teams & Call-In

DATE: December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

TIME: 1:00pm - 3:30pm (Approx. 2.5hrs.)

RECORDED BY: Kim Baskett, District Administrator (Interim Secretary)

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
  - A. Meeting Starting Time
- 2. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
  - A. Welcome
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Guest Introductions
    - i. Jim Whitonis, PA-OVR VR Specialist (Representative Guest)
  - D. Mission
    - i. Generally, to identify challenges & make recommendations to the RDG-OVR, and help advocate & serve people with disabilities in our community.
    - ii. Officially, Call Reading OVR Office for a "CAC To The RDG OVR Brochure."
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS (5 minute limit)
- 4. AGENDA (Motion Needed)
  - A. Motion needed to "Approve" Agenda for today's meeting of 12/10/2024.
    - i. Discussion Additions, Deletions or Corrections (must be minor in nature)
    - ii. All In Favor "Yes", All Opposed "No", Any "Abstentions"
- 5. MINUTES (Motion Needed)
  - A. Motion needed to "Approve" Minutes for prior meeting of 09/10/2024.
    - i. Discussion Additions, Deletions, or Corrections (can approve w/corrections)
    - ii. All In Favor "Yes", All Opposed "No", Any "Abstentions"
- 6. CAC CHAIRPERSON REPORT, UPDATE & GOALS
  - A. By-Laws
    - i. Completed & On Agenda For Approval
  - B. Members Application Form
    - i. Completed & Implemented
  - C. Members Status Form

- i. Completed & Implemented
- D. Brochure
  - i. Review & Revise In Progess
- E. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 7. CAC VICE-CHAIRPERSON REPORT, UPDATE & GOALS
  - A. PA OVR Statewide CAC Chair Meeting
    - i. Next Meeting Highlights 01/30/2025 @ 9:00am 11:00am
  - B. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 8. CAC SECRETARY REPORT, UPDATE & GOALS
  - A. Vacant Member Needed
    - i. Interim Secretary: Kim Baskett, District Administrator
    - ii. Flyer Highlighting Vacancy
  - B. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 9. RDG-OVR REPORT, UPDATE, & GOALS
  - A. Staffing Data
  - B. Customer Data
  - C. Current Programs & Announcements
  - D. New Programs & Announcements
  - E. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 10. 2025 NOTICE OF MEETINGS AD-HOC WORK GROUP REPORT
  - A. Angel Torres Chair
    - i. Objective: Recommend Places, Dates, & Times of 2025 CAC Meetings.
    - ii. Recommendations
  - B. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 11. 2025 Notice of Meetings (Motion Needed)
  - A. Motion needed to "Approve" the CAC to the RDG OVR 2025 Notice of Meetings as recommended by the 2025 Notice of Meetings Ad-hoc Work Group.
    - i. Discussion Additions, Deletions, or Corrections (can approve w/corrections)
    - ii. All In Favor "Yes", All Opposed "No", Any "Abstentions"
- 12. MEMBERSHIP UPDATED RE/APPOINTMENTS
  - A. 2025 Membership Re/Appointments
    - i. Review Members For Reconsideration
    - ii. Contact Members For New Application
  - B. 2025 Membership Status
    - i. Completed & Implemented
  - C. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 13. BY-LAWS (Motion Needed)

- A. Motion needed to "Approve" the CAC to the RDG OVR By-Laws for implementation on 01/01/2025.
  - i. Discussion Additions, Deletions, or Corrections (can approve w/corrections)
  - ii. All In Favor "Yes", All Opposed "No", Any "Abstentions"
- 14. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Actions Needed)
  - A. CAC Chairperson (Nomination Needed)
    - i. Floor Is Open For Chairperson Nominations
      - 1. Nominee Acceptance
      - 2. Discussion
    - ii. Floor is Closed For Chairperson Nominations
      - A nomination (was / was not) made to "Elect" (nominee) as the CAC Chairperson
      - 2. RDG-OVR District Administrator Poll Members For Vote
        - a. Please says "Yes", "No", "Abstain"
  - B. CAC Vice-Chairperson (Nomination Needed)
    - i. Floor Is Open For Vice-Chairperson Nominations
      - 1. Nominee Acceptance
      - 2. Discussion
    - ii. Floor is Closed For Vice-Chairperson Nominations
      - A nomination (was / was not) made to "Elect" (nominee) as the CAC Vice-Chairperson
      - 2. RDG-OVR District Administrator Poll Members For Vote
        - a. Please says "Yes", "No", "Abstain"
  - C. CAC Secretary (Nomination Needed)
    - i. Floor Is Open For Secretary Nominations
      - 1. Nominee Acceptance
      - 2. Discussion
    - ii. Floor is Closed For Secretary Nominations
      - A nomination (was / was not) made to "Elect" (nominee) as the CAC Secretary
      - 2. RDG-OVR District Administrator Members will be polled for vote
        - a. Please says "Yes", "No", "Abstain"
- 15. NEW BUSINESS & ANNOUCEMENTS (Mission Related)
  - A. PA State Board of Vocational Rehabilitation Meeting 09/12/2024
    - i. Link: <u>Agenda & Minutes</u>
  - B. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 16. OTHER BUSINESS & ANNOUCEMENTS (Disability Related)
  - A. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)

#### 17. PARTNERS & RESOURCES

- A. (Rdg OVR) Reading Office Of Vocational Rehabilitation Contact Info.
  - i. See Above Letter Head
- B. (Pa OVR) Pennsylvania Office Of Vocational Rehabilitation Contact Info
  - i. Phone: 800-442-6351 / TTY: 866-830-7327 / www.dli.pa.gov
- C. (Pa RC) Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Council Contact Info
  - i. Phone: 888.250.5175 / TTY: 888.559.2658 / parehabilitationcouncil.org
- D. (Pa CAP) Pennsylvania Client Assistance Program Contact Info
  - i. Phone: 888-745-2357 (voice/711Relay) / www.equalemployment.org

#### 18. NEXT MEETING

- A. Date: To Be Determined by Recommendations & Approval
  - i. Will Be Posted via. CAC Webpage on PARC Website
- B. Members Comments, Questions (i.e. Challenges / Recommendations)
- 19. PUBLIC COMMENTS: GENERAL ITEMS (5 minute limit)

#### 20.CLOSING REMARKS

- A. Members-at-large
- B. Officers
- C. Chair

#### 21. ADJOURNMENT (Motion Needed)

- A. Motion needed to "Approve" Adjournment for today's meeting of 12/10/2024.
  - i. Discussion Additions, Deletions, or Corrections
  - ii. All In Favor "Yes", All Opposed "No", Any "Abstentions"
  - iii. Meeting Ending Time