**Approved Minutes**

**CT Council on Developmental Disabilities**

**Proposal Review Committee Meeting**

**September 4, 2024, Wednesday**

**1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Via MS Teams**

**Present:** Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair; Emily Cowen, Co-Chair, Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair; Shannon Jacovino, Elena Poma, Kathie Strout, Council Vice Chair, Fran Traceski,

**Absent:** Lena Esposito, Julie Vigil

**Staff:** Walter Glomb, Executive Director

**Minutes:** Donna Devin

1. **Call to Order with Quorum:** The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. There was no public present at the meeting, so the Committee moved on to the next agenda item.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Emily Cowen, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Shannon Jacovino, made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair. The agenda was approved.
3. **Approval of the Minutes from Friday, August 30, 2024:** Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the minutes from Friday, August 30, 2024. Emily Cowen, Co-Chair, made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Shannon Jacovino. The agenda was approved.
4. **Approval, Disapproval, or Tabled Discussion of Council Funding of Grant Proposals for Amounts to Be Determined:** There was discussion on the grant proposal for the **Center for Children’s Advocacy (CCA).** Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the funding of the grant proposal for the Center for Children’s Advocacy (CCA) with the stipulation that CCA takes direction from the Council regarding their scope and that the Council will not fund them for the full amount that they requested. Shannon Jacovino made the motion to approve the funding for the Center for Children’s Advocacy. The motion was seconded by Elena Poma. The Center for Children’s Advocacy was approved for funding. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, abstained due to a scheduling conflict that made him miss the discussion on the proposal.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the funding of the grant proposal for **For All Ages**. Shannon Jacovino made the motion to approve the funding of For All Ages. The motion was seconded by Elena Poma. For All Ages was approved for funding.

There was a discussion on **PATH Parent to Parent, and Sibling to Sibling Programs**. The Committee talked about wanting to see something more intentional from them, that was more focused on the Council’s objectives. Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to table the approval of funding the grant proposal for **PATH Parent to Parent, and Sibling to Sibling Programs**. Shannon Jacovino made the motion to table the discussion of funding for PATH Parent to Parent, and Sibling to Sibling Programs. The motion was seconded by Elena Poma. PATH Parent to Parent, and Sibling to Sibling Programs was tabled for later discussion. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the funding of the grant proposal for the **Association for Autism and Neurodiversity (AANE)**. Shannon Jacovino made the motion to approve the funding for the Association for Autism and Neurodiversity. The motion was seconded by Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair. The Association for Autism and Neurodiversity was approved for funding.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the funding of the grant proposal for **Yale CASY**. Elena Poma made the motion to approve the funding of Yale CASY. The motion was seconded by Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair. Yale CASY was approved for funding.

Emily Cowen, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to approve the funding of the grant proposal for **PATH Trusted Messenger Dissemination Program** for an amount to be determined and not fund the **PATH Parent to Parent, and Sibling to Sibling Programs**. Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, made the motion to approve the funding of **PATH Trusted Messenger Dissemination Program**. The motion was seconded by Shannon Jacovino. **PATH Trusted Messenger Dissemination Program** was approved for funding. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to TABLE the approval the funding of the grant proposal as worded and submitted by the **Arc Connecticut** to engage Spanish language families of children IDD and the Families for Families Advocacy Program. The Committee would like to see an amendment made to the grant proposal. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, made the motion to table the approval of funding pending an amendment of the grant proposal by the Arc Connecticut. The motion was seconded by Shannon Jacovino. The Arc Connecticut was tabled for discussion of funding, pending an amendment of their grant proposal. Elena Poma abstained.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to NOT approve the funding of the grant proposal for **PARC** First Friends. Shannon Jacovino made the motion to not approve the funding for PARC. The motion was seconded by Emily Cowen, Co-Chair. The grant for PARC was not approved for funding. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, abstained due to a conflict of interest.

Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, asked for a motion to table the discussion of approval for funding the grant proposals from **Futures**, **Rocky Hill Public Schools** for the Dream Café, and the grant proposal from **Yale** for Afghani women who have developmental disabilities. Andy Cirioli, Council Chair, and Committee Vice-Chair, made the motion to table the discussion of funding for the grants named above. The motion was seconded by Shannon Jacovino. All grants named above were tabled for later discussion.

1. **Adjournment:** Emily Cowen, Co-Chair, made a motion for adjournment. Michelle Baughman, Co-Chair, seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.