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MEETING MINUTES Dane County People Can't Wait Coalition

June 6, 2002

Co-Facilitators Jean Robertson and Ken Hobbs called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. An agenda was shared and all present introduced themselves. The draft agenda included a time to discuss the minutes of the May 9 meeting, a draft mission statement for the new coalition, communication through newsletters and web pages and the possibility of an event.

Those present included: Liz Hecht, Barbara Katz, Dan Rossiter, Jean Robertson, Nancy Anderson, Dennis Harkins, Ben Topp, Tanya Larson, Duncan McNelly, Dan Remick, Helen Hartman, Lisa Pugh and Ken Hobbs.

Minutes of the May 9, 2002 organizational meeting and the agenda for the June 6 meeting were approved.

Dennis Harkins and his committee (Barb Katz, Kitty Bonde and Dan Remick) shared a draft of a mission statement for the new coalition. Discussion included:

- A desire to help, not hinder, existing advocacy coalitions through a cross disability coalition
- Several people wanted to show a tie to state Survival Coalition activities and position papers
- Bringing in parts of the disability community that have not had a voice was desired

After supportive discussion, those present approved the mission statement. Many agreed that we must remain open to additional thoughts about our mission.

Ken Hobbs presented a report on newsletters and web pages. Many responses were received from existing groups offering their newsletters for Dane County People Can't Wait Coalition announcements, etc. Agreeing to allow the use was Access to Independence, The Arc-Dane County, Family Support and Resource Center, Choices, Epilepsy Update and Citizen Advocacy. Other suggestions were made. It was agreed that we should try to get as many people signed up for DAWN as possible.

Minutes and Mission Statement as well as agendas are posted on the Arc-Dane County web page. www.arcdanecounty.org You will need the Adobe Reader (free) to open these files on the webpage.

A desire for an event was expressed at the May 9 meeting. After considerable discussion, a committee was appointed to check out the feasibility of an August 25 event or a suitable alternative. The committee (chaired by Ben Topp and including Liz Hecht, Helen Hartman, Dennis Harkins and Dan Remick) will report on their progress at the July 10 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

- NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, July 10, 2002 at 6:30 pm till 8:00 pm at the Waisman Center Offices, 122 E. Olin Ave. in Madison
- AGENDA ITEMS for July include minute's review, event status report, review of network list, discussion of how to get the word out including drafting a PSA announcement, and discussion of other next steps.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Robertson and Ken Hobbs

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