

**Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment  
Legislative Workgroup (LWG)**



**Meeting Agenda  
Friday, September 22, 2023  
9:00 to 10:00 a.m.**

Topic: Legislative Workgroup

Time: September 22, 2023, 09:00 AM

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**AGENDA**

- 1) Welcome; Call to Order and Attendance; Reminder of meeting courtesies.
- 2) Legislative committee status – leadership, new member introductions, reminder of new status and role.
- 3) Review and prioritize training ideas and areas of GCDE focus for the future (based on last meeting's brainstorm):
  - a. Expand beyond legislative to local government, including school boards – and engage pre-election as well as with those in-office

- b. Review language used (primer on word choice, for ex: educate versus lobby) and develop a “cheat sheet” for to help guide effective legislator visits (take a leave-behind, have key messages and personal input distilled, send a follow-up Thank You note reminding legislator of topics discussed, our promise and timeline)
- c. Develop a database of (all GCDE) members’ expertise and capabilities relative to government engagement (for ex: Patti’s history and expertise, Clarence’s technical capability, Amy’s strategic communications skill)
- d. Reflect the needs and desires of those we serve, i.e. model civility in all discourse, find points of agreement, work on consensus
- e. Create a Civics 101 guide (for all GCDE members, but specific for this sub-committee’s members) that could include: what happens at each level of government; how to search for a bill; how to advocate for a bill; how can political action intersect with disability advocacy. And?)
- f. Develop a training schedule (for all GCDE members, but specific for this sub-committee’s members) that could include
  - i. Effective communication (in general + with electeds)
  - ii. Media relations
  - iii. How to “educate” (lobby/advocate) effectively
  - iv. How to come up-to-speed on an issue or bill
  - v. How to engage at the local level
  - vi. Other?

4) Next Meeting: Friday, October 3, 2023.

5) Public Comment (If necessary).

6) Adjournment.