



## Minutes

### January 2020 PPAIC Meeting

📅 Tue January 21st, 2020

🕒 11:00am - 12:00pm EST

📍 Teleconference

#### 👥 In Attendance

Thom Delilla, Janet Good, Isabelle Potts

### I. Opening

a. **Verbal Authorization to Begin Recording**

No Member presented an issue with being recorded

b. **Call to Order**

Mr. Thom Delilla called the meeting to order at 11:01am

c. **Roll Call**

Ms. Whitney Harris took roll.

Present:

Mr. Thom Delilla

Ms. Janet Good

Ms. Isabelle Potts

Not Present:

Mr. Paul Tobin

Mr James Bayonne

Ms. Milagros Rios

Ms. Katy Howell

Ms. Karen Hagan

d. **Establishment of Quorum**

A quorum was established.

### II. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was approved without dissent.

**Decision:** Ms. Isabelle Potts made the motion to approve the agenda as presented

**Decision:** Ms. Janet Good seconded the motion.

- a. **Category: Standing Item**
- b. **Attachments: January 2020 PPAIC Meeting Agenda**
- c. **Public Comment on any Agenda Item**  
No public comment at this time.
- d. **Modifications to Agenda**  
No modifications to the agenda at this time.

- 1. **The Committee will hear any modifications to the agenda under Agenda Item VIII.**

e. **ACTION NEEDED**

### III. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. **Category: Standing Item**
- b. **Attachments**

- 1. **September 2019 PPAIC Meeting Minutes**  
Minutes were approved without dissent.

**Decision:** Ms Potts made the motion to approve the minutes.

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconded the motion.

- 2. **December 9, 2019 PPAIC Orientation Meeting Minutes**  
Minutes were approved without dissent.

Ms. Harris gave committee members a brief overview of the committee orientation at Mr. Delilla's request.

**Decision:** Mr. Delilla made the motion to approve the minutes.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts seconded the motion

- 3. **December 12, 2019 PPAIC Orientation Meeting Minutes**  
Minutes were approved without dissent.

**Decision:** Mr. Delilla made the motion to approve the minutes.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts seconded the motion

c. **ACTION NEEDED**

### IV. **Legislative Priorities**

Mr. Delilla requested the committee actively participate in getting the legislative tasks completed

Mr. Delilla express the concern of not following up on the legislative priorities.

Mr. Delilla requested the members of this committee be the spokes person for FFAST within their own agencies.

Ms. Potts recommended designating a staff member to take legislative initiative.


a. **Category: Standing Item**

b. **Attachments: FFAST 2020 Legislative Priorities**

Typically the legislative priorities are sent for approval by The Department of Vocational Rehabilitation.

At Mr. Delilla's request, Ms. Harris gave the committee an update on FFAST's lobbyist. The Executive Committee decreased the Contract amount for Pennington due to the legislative priorities from last year not moving forward.

FFAST has not sent Pennington any new legislative priorities this year.

**Task:** Forward the legislative reports from  Whitney Harris  
Pennington to the committee members

c. **Purpose/Statement**

1. **This agenda item is to review and update the Legislative Priorities for 2020.**

Members decided to vote on each idea for the 2020 Legislative priorities.

Ms. Potts recommended starting on the 2021 legislative priorities and Exploring the possibility of a Florida Assistive Technology Trust Fund as the Committee gets ready for 2021

Ms. Potts requests the the committee review the statute 413.407 to see if any changes need to be made.

**Decision:** 1. Establish the Florida Assistive Technology Trust Fund  
Vote: Ms. Potts: yes Mr. Delilla: Ms. Good: yes

**Decision:** Ms. Potts motioned to ammend to previous motion and abandon all of the 2020 legislative priorities because it is to late in session to move forward at this time.

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconded the motion to abandon the 2020 legislative priorities.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts made the motion to establish a list of 2021 legislative priorities which will include a study of the feasibility of establishing the Florida Assistive Technology Trust Fund and sources of funding as well as the review and editing of 413.407

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconded the motion to establish a list of 2021 legislative priorities which will include a study of the feasibility of establishing the Florida Assistive Technology Trust Fund and sources of funding as well as the review and editing of 413.407

d. **ACTION NEEDED**

v. **FTRI Actions and Next Steps**

a. **Category: Old Business**

b. **Attachments**

1. **FTRI FL Statute 427.704**

At Mr. Delilla request, Ms. Harris gave the committee members an overview of the statute. FTRI is unable to help people with assistive technology on mobile phones. Their statute limits them to landlines. FTRI can not legally lobby to change their statute. FTRI reached out to FFAST to see if changing their statute can become a FFAST legislative priority.

Ms. Good discussed the importance of not limiting certain technologies when revising the statutes as technology will continue to change and grow in the future.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts made the motion to add the review and amending of this statute the list of 2021 legislative priorities.

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconded the motion to add the review and amending of this statute the list of 2021 legislative priorities.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts motioned to amend the previous motion to include anticipating future technologies

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconding amending the motion

c. **Purpose/Statement**

1. **This agenda item is to discuss what actions the PPAIC would like to pursue in regards to FTRI's legislative language change. This was an item discussed on the September 2019 PPAIC Meeting (as documented in the minutes).**

2. **No actions have been taken on this item since the September 2019 PPAIC Meeting date.**

d. **ACTION NEEDED**

vi. **FL Medicaid School Concurrence Issue Actions and Next Steps**

Ms. Good discussed the latest update with the committee. The Executive Director, Michael Daniels was drafting a document and asked Department of Education (DOE) for input. DOE does not feel the need to add to that request. Florida Medicaid is opting for concurrence. The intent is to help with implementation of AT in the school system. this will help end AT abandonment. Other groups think Concurrence will cause an obstacle. Ms Good states that this is a Medicaid rule not a DOE rule. FFAST is not in a position to contribute in asking for that change. FFAST was developing a best practice. It started to move away from a hand book on best practice. Ms Good needed to step away. If FFAST was going to send it to its providers as a handbook on best practice per her conversation with the Executive Director, Michael Daniels.

**Decision:** Ms. Potts made the motion to Table this agenda item.

**Decision:** Mr. Delilla seconded the motion to table this agenda item.

**Task:** Follow up with the appropriate parties to get a better briefing on Medicaid Concurrence and clearly identify what the issues are and what FAASTs roll is

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a. **Category: Old Business**

b. **Purpose/Statement**

1. **This agenda item is to discuss what actions the PPAIC would like to pursue in regards to the Florida Medicaid School Concurrence Issue. This was an item discussed on the September 2019 PPAIC Meeting (as documented in the minutes).**
2. **No actions have been taken on this item since the September 2019 PPAIC Meeting date.**

c. **ACTION NEEDED**

#### vii. **Task Report**

**Decision:** Ms. Potts Motioned to Table this agenda Item until the next meeting.

**Decision:** Ms. Good seconded the motion to table this agenda item until the next meeting.

a. **Category: Standing Item**

b. **Attachments**

1. **January 2020 PPAIC Task List**

c. **Purpose/Statement**

1. **This agenda item is to inform the Committee of actions taken to complete items on the Task Report. Items on the Task List should be reassigned or removed due to current Executive Director leave.**

d. **Assign Actions as Needed**

#### viii. **Agenda Modifications**

No agenda Modification at this time.

a. **From Agenda II d.**

#### IX. **Closing**

a. **Last Call for Public Comment**

No public comments at this time

b. **Next Meeting**

1. **Date and Time**

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 | 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

February 18th 2020 at 11:00am

2. **GoToMeeting Information**

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/452755381>

3. **Toll-free number and Access Code**

United States: +1 (571) 317-3129

Access Code: 452-755-381

c. **Adjourn**

Meeting was Ajourn at 12:18pm.

**Decision:** Ms. Good motioned to ajourn the meeting

**Decision:** Ms. Potts seconded the motion to ajourn the meeting