

# February 2021 Technology Awareness Committee Meeting

## Minutes

February 26th, 2020  
2:30 – 3:30 PM EDT



### 1. Opening

Mr. Brian Nerland opened the meeting. No member presented an issue with being recorded. The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM.

Members Present: Mr. Brian Nerland, Ms. Kailey Medlock, Ms. Lesa Kretschmer, Ms. Mary Jarrett

Staff Present: Ms. Whitney Harris

Members of the Public None

### 2. Approval of Agenda

The Committee members introduced themselves to Ms. Mary Jarrett

No members of the public commented. No modifications were made to the agenda. Ms. Kailey Medlock made the motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Jarrett seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved without any objection.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

No members of the public commented. No modifications were made to the January 2021 Technology Awareness Committee Minutes. Ms. Medlock made the motion to approve the Minutes. Ms. Kretschmer seconded the motion to approve the Minutes. The January 2021 Technology Awareness Committee Minutes were approved without any objection.

### 4. Discussion of Annual assistive technology Expo Plan | Whitney Harris

Ms. Whitney Harris explains since the last call; she researched the need for an assistive technology Expo. Ms. Hannah Brock reached to the RDC's to see what they thought of an assistive technology Expo. They commented that if the event is for professionals CEU's would have to be provided. They don't feel like a virtual event is needed. However, more assistive technology awareness is necessary.

The staff brainstorming concluded with rebranding FAAST Webinar Trainings.

Ms. Jarrett explains that consumers are hard to find, and experts don't know about other assistive technology that is not in their field. She recommends having vendors demonstrate their assistive technology.

Mr. Nerland would like to know how everyone feels about postponing the Expo until 2022.

.Ms. Medlock feels the Expo would best benefit consumers. She is concerned that people will not travel.

Ms. Harris explains The Annual Family Café Conference.

Ms. Medlock made to motion to postpone the FFAST Assistive Technology Expo until 2022. Ms. Kretschmer seconded the motion. There were no objections. The motion carries.

5. Public Awareness Metrics with Communications Firm | Whitney Harris

The Website development firms are going to start tracking metrics.

6. Review Proposed FFAST Event List | Whitney Harris

Ms. Harris presents the FFAST event list.

7. Action Items

Ms. Harris reviewed the Strategic Plan Goal Tracking Document. Ms. Harris added a few dates

8. Closing

Next Meeting- The next meeting will be on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 2:30 PM. No public comment was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 PM.