



General Membership TxDCDT Meeting
February 27, 2014

- Called to order 6:45 27 attended 12 members
- Approved treasurers report
- Meeting notes from last year's membership meeting were not available for approval and will be place on TXDCDT website
- Provided overview of TXDCDT including introduction of officers and goals for 2014 year
- Introduced website
- Guest speakers provided information on new Texas legislative bills and how they impact transition in Texas
 - Norine Jaloway
 - Employability First senate Bill 617
Real job included in community
Combine all the agencies DADS, DSHS, DARS, DFPS, TEA, Texas Workforce Commission. Will appoint employment first task force. Over 100 applicants including youth and adults with disabilities
First report due to governors office September 1
 - Senate bill 7 that is also called the managed care bill.
Recipients of Medicaid in acute care will receive care through managed care as of September 1, 2014. This includes MEDICAID waiver
 - New waiver called Community First will supply a smaller amount to shorten the waiting list. Presently there are over 100,000 on waiting list. Community First offers an entitlement for people on Medicaid. The state is still awaiting approval from the federal government
 - Rona Statman reported on House Bill 617 and House Bill 5
- There was discussion on how TXDCDT can work help disseminate information to members regarding upcoming legislative actions and changes and implementation of bills that were passed.
- A drawing was held with all people present.
 - Laura Epperson from Grapevine Colleyville ISD won a membership to CEC and TxDCDT.
 - Karen Donegan from Grapevine Colleyville ISD won the mini iPad
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:00