

**ND Brain Injury Advisory Council
Strategic Planning Subcommittee**

June 17, 2023, 12:00 – 1:00 PM CT via Zoom

Meeting Notes

Present: Tami Conrad, Bobbiann Froemke, Nan Kennelly, Rebecca Quinn, Sarah Ring, Jessica Siefken

Facilitator: Rebecca Quinn

Elections

- Nominations and elections next steps are unclear. Prior minutes did not clarify consensus on an approach. **ACTION ITEM: Rebecca will research and reconnect with SP committee.**
- Nomination committee to meet and do outreach for those interested in leadership positions. **ACTION ITEM: Rebecca to reach out to Denise.**
- In addition to examining nomination options (based on prior interest), there should be an email to the council asking for additional nominations.
- Group agreed that a general approach of retaining current leadership for the purpose of planned mentoring for elect positions is desired.

August BIAC Meeting in Bismarck

- August meeting confirmed -- in person taking place on Wednesday, August 9 and Thursday, August 10. There will not be a virtual option as this was not requested.
- Tammy will be available by text if needed, but unavailable to attend the meeting in person.
- New legislative members will be in attendance.
- A block of rooms will be made available for those traveling in from outside Bismarck. Bobbiann offered to drive those who need transportation from Fargo to Bismarck.

Legislative Study

- A legislative study will soon be underway with a kick-off meeting scheduled for August 31. Thereafter, the committee will meet quarterly to hear testimony and review data related to the system of brain injury care in North Dakota.
- Using salary savings for new hires while personnel processes get underway, Rebecca is working on a proposal to contract with NASHIA and HSRI to conduct a system study over the next year. This study will examine current services, current access to care, current unmet needs, and recommendations based on access to care strategies examined in other states. The hope is for actionable recommendations that may be taken up by the legislature.
- Rebecca will bring the study proposal to the strategic planning committee for input.

Other

- Christopher Nowinski, author of *Head Games* and founding executive director of the Concussion Legacy Foundation, will present at the concussion symposium on Friday, September 15. There will also be a presentation on concussions and homelessness.

The group adjourned at 12:25pm

Next Meeting. The Strategic Planning Subcommittee will tentatively meet next on Monday, August 21st, from 12pm-1pm CT.

2023 BIAC Quarterly Business Meetings

August 9th (1-5pm) and August 10th (8:30 to noon)
Thursday, November 9, 12-3pm