Welcome and Introductions

- Megan Hart, TN Disability Pathfinder
- Emma Shouse, TN Council on DD
- Laurie Fleming, Vanderbilt Kennedy Center UCEDD
- Geri Mulligan, CLEE
- Belinda Hardy, BCDD
- Bruce Keisling, BCDD
- Carlene Leaper, Arc of the MidSouth
- Sandi Klink, MCIL
- Jeremy Jinkerson, Psych. Student
- Jenness Roth, BCDD and family member
- Cathy Mason, BCDD and family member
- Steve Sheegog, advocate and family member
- Carolyn Somerville, Children Special Services
- Gina Brady, DLAC and family member
- Connie Bowlan, Shelby Residential Vocational Services and family member
- Ginger Walton, CAC Chair and family member
- Ace Madjlesi, CAC Secretary and family member
- Elizabeth Bishop, BCDD

Presentation: Megan Hart: TN Disability Pathfinder: Serving diverse populations

- See attached PPT
- Emphasis on Pathfinder's multicultural program
- Multicultural alliance on disability: Collaborative organization in middle TN that was developed as a way to better provide services to people and create training modules. They work with MCO's (e.g., BlueCare, TNCareSelect) to address barriers in accessing services. They also work with Camino Seguro.
- The media resources listed on the “media goal” slide are primarily Spanish-speaking resources, but New American Times is a Nigerian-American publication
- TASA webinar was conducted last week with BCDD. You can get an archived link to the webinar from Elizabeth or check the BCDD website.

Motion to approve the previous CAC meeting minutes passes.

Announcements

- **Emma, DD Council:** TN received a grant from AIDD in Summer 2013. The grant is aimed at supporting families and communities of practice. The DD Council and DIDD are the two lead agencies
State Team includes DD Council, DIDD, Vanderbilt Kennedy, Dr. Palmer, and family members. The team met in Oct. with national consultants to get an overview of initiative and get some “next steps” for TN.

Ideas: value of peer support organization for parents and siblings and self-advocates, better support of community level organizations; importance of stakeholders at table from all across the lifespan (young to old).

Elizabeth and Steve: Paradigm shift from solely service provision to considering a lifespan perspective

Primary contact from DIDD on this is Laura Daughtery


- Bruce, BCDD: Year-end updates
  - Annual reports have gone out and funding has been approved for current fiscal year
  - 4 BCDD are headed to annual conference for AUDD where the focus is diversity in disability
  - BCDD staff members Teresa Pugh and Marian Abbott are retiring after many years of service

- Sandi, MCIL: Holiday Open House and Silent Auction is Dec 6, 4pm – 8pm

- Elizabeth, BCDD: Training updates for ICE + Other misc. updates
  - Made these workshops free, accessible, and now provide community-level topics
  - Held workshops on HIPAA changes, with Carrie Hobbs Guiden panel on legislative advocacy, and with Megan Hart on TN Alliance for self-advocacy
  - All webinars are archived and available online
  - Attended DD council retreat and learned about their publication called Breaking Ground. People are welcome to submit articles (you can submit at any time) and BCDD staff member Ashley Annestedt is on the editorial board.
  - Indie Memphis documentary: *A Whole Lot More* featured 4 people with disabilities and their pursuit of work.

NEXT MEETING: Feb. 19, 2014