

Guardianship Committee (GC)

Meeting

Friday, Sept. 19th (9:00 a.m.)

- Agenda -

1. By-Laws (Note: By-laws may be changed with a 2/3 majority vote of members present)
 - Quorum requirement; Article 12; the current requirement is “A quorum for the purpose of conducting business shall consist of those present at the meeting.”
 - Proposed language is: "A quorum for the purpose of conducting business shall consist of at least one-third (1/3) of the total number of voting members (rounded to the next whole number)."

The notice of this proposed change was distributed on July 3rd.
2. Transition education issue (students turning 18) – Rolletta Sue Gronewold, Deputy Director, Special Education Bureau/ Public Education Dept.
 - April = 3 May = 10 June = 7 July = 10 Aug. = 5
3. Status Report by Subcommittee to examine the Role and Duties of a Guardian.
 - Letter drafted by Subcommittee re: the Handbook for Guardians and their suggested revisions.
4. Guardianship Task Force (HM6) – the next/final meeting is scheduled for Monday Sept. 29th
Note Location Change: at Los Griegos Health & Social Service Center, 1231 Candelaria Rd., NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107
 - Very brief presentation to the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) on Thursday afternoon, Sept. 25th.
5. Article 10b of the By-Laws: “All meetings shall be held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and or other applicable law.”
 - GC meetings are not subject to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.
6. New contractors for corporate guardians state-wide, and new contractors for Petitioning Attorneys, GALs, and Court Visitors - also state-wide.
7. Other updates from the Office of Guardianship
 - Contract with UNM for re-evaluations state-wide.
Summary for initial contract (7/1/06 thru 6/30/08); Total evaluations:127 (plus 5 for 6 no-shows)

No Change in level	- 103 (81.1%)	To another guardian (family)	- 1 (0.8%)
Lesser guardianship	- 11 (8.7%)	Re-evaluation	- 3 (2.4%)
Remove guardianship	- 1 (0.8%)	Correction to Court Order	- 1 (0.8%)
Greater guardianship	- 2 (1.6%)	Other	- 4 (3.1%)
Temporary to Permanent	- 1 (0.8%)		
 - Contract with NM Guardianship Association – Training video, website material, and outreach activities.
 - Contract with NAMI re: Treatment Guardians – analysis, recommendations and outreach activities.
8. OG Work Load Report

Corporate guardianship:	587 (as of Aug. 31 st)
Assigned to Legal Services this Fiscal Year:	24 (as of Sept.14th)
Waiting List for Legal Services:	134 (as of Sept. 14th)
Waiting for Eligibility information:	155 (as of Sept. 14th)
9. Discussion of New Business and Update Old Business.
10. Review of Action Items from prior meetings.

Our meetings are every 3rd Friday of the month at our conference room in the Office of Guardianship, DDPC, 810 W. San Mateo, Ste. C, Santa Fe, NM 87505-4144