## **GDC Steering Committee Meeting**

## Minutes

- Welcome to Any Guests and introductions
- Update from DNC Meeting Ken
  - Will update us
  - We'll be cheering you on you have a big schedule!
- Recruiting New Members Marnie, Heather et.al.
- Update for Upcoming Event Building Allyship Denise
  - Email to caucus chairs went out
    - Jazz replied
  - Concerned about how we are sharing event info to boost numbers
  - Marnie says our FB viewership is higher
  - Liz will be plugging our event at the AP meeting on 3/13 (1PM HKT)
  - EMEA:
  - Americas: Denise
  - Has there been an email to leadership?
- Heather Medicare Portability Taskforce and other caucuses are working on an event, please attend: <a href="https://www.democratsabroad.org/cliff1976/">https://www.democratsabroad.org/cliff1976/</a>
   progressive prescription healthcare for americans at home abroad
- Recap additional events for the year Denise
  May 20 Global Accessibility Awareness Day
- Marnie creating notes re: barriers and accessibility guidelines
- Marnie has put in a request, no answer at this time re: incorporation into annual meeting events (May 21 & 22).
- If we do not share event-style during the meeting, we hope to present the guidelines for accessibility in another way.
  - July 26 ADA Anniversary
  - September 18 GDC Anniversary
- Comms graphics
- Phonebank/GOTV event

- October 10 World Mental Health Day
- Amanda Leduc (sp?) as a potential speaker
  - December 3 Int'l Day for Persons w/ Disabilities
- Accessibility Report Update Marnie
  - Section discussing adaptive and assistive tech, let's summarize this
  - Add links
    - Heather will try to create a list for online
    - Allyssa will try to create a list for offline
    - Marnie will tag the dynamic duo in an email discussing this further postmeeting
- Voter Assistance/Outreach for Phonebanking
  - Marnie found some information and will combine so we can discuss later

## Communications Update - Elizabeth

- Ps&Qs have been extremely successful!
  - Up next: Denise
  - Marnie, I have a photo for yours :)
- Posts for our event have begun. We have connected with Dom Kelly on Twitter and expect more followers/likes soon. Posts will continue all month. Knowing our event coincides with CP day, perhaps Denise can ask Dom if he has any messages we can share. (Or I can, lmk)
- Newsletter copy was created and submitted for the joint edition (should have hit your mailbox), as well as for a March all-caucus edition (tbd).
- Lissette posted graphics to our events pages!
- Allyssa created some amazing buzz on March 4th
- Enclosed is the schedule for March social media posts, with room for editions like DNC updates from Ken, WH Disability Caucus meeting (which I believe is now scheduled for March 10), special days of recognition, and more!
- I will be highlighting women in many of the comms photos and graphics, if not the content itself. Please send me direct messages to share your photos and news. When sending articles, perhaps include a bit of copy if you'd like them to appear on Twitter et al.
- On my radar are World Health Day, which is April 7th, as well as May 20th, which is Global Accessibility Awareness Day.
- I can be free for 1:1 meetings this Wednesday, or next week.
- Please verify times are correct on the below graphic for March 22nd. We have 8am in Toronto, <u>4PM</u> for Tel Aviv, and 8PM for Beijing. (Hooray DST!) Heather, perhaps you can verify Israel's time zone (change) for me? <u>Update graphic</u>







- 1. State of the Union
- 2. GDC Meeting 1, post 1
- 3. Paralympics post with DACN
- 4. International Wheelchair Day
- 5. GDC Meeting 1, post 2
- 6. Dom Kelly post
- 7. March 10th women/girls & HIV/AIDS
- 8. Paralympic post on disability visibility
- 9. Denise's P&Q
- 10. Luck, worth and disability
- 11. Mental health post, focus on women
- 12. GDC Meeting 2, 2 posts
- 13. Action post let's make an action on 3/22 to share. Could be GOTV, related to our event, related to Administration's work...
- 14. Building Allyship Event Reminder Post
- 15. Post-Event post
- 16. Purple Epilepsy post
- 17. Marnie's P&Q
- 18. GOTV Post
- 19. ... A call to donate is on the list. Let's discuss this and our efforts for the website as we are able.
- We have a donations page
- We should showcase our work
- Suggestion is to point out we are working to make the website accessible for those with disabilities. Should we put a survey on our donations page?
- Suggest donations on events in the future, perhaps a small specific amount instead of a generic "donate now" message
- Heather requested making donations in memorial

## Other Items:

- GOTV? Looking for Americans Abroad w/ disabilities via other groups or channels and getting them registered to vote.
- Education? Integrating into social media?
- Need help? Have an idea? Questions? Comments?
- Items for the next meeting agenda?
  - Allyssa and Liz wish to discuss a comms project that would increase outreach and serve as part of the educational side of our work.
  - Liz would like to have a movie night. I can set up a watch party for *Coda*. Very casual, limited set up required. Can make an easy call to register to vote at the

beginning, brief discussion at the end, and call to donate to finish. This could be regionally targeted, or open to all. No work required from the SC.:)

- Post on our website recommendations
- Marnie & Heather encourage the group to share our comms and continue outreach in our regions and on our private channels. We need members and SC positions filled!
- Denise Series on Netflix called *Special*. Actor/writer/director has CP, is LGBTQIA, and his daily life is reflected in the show. Comedy. Allyssa approved:)
- Post on our website recommendations

Next meeting: 8 am ET on March 22