Disability Advisory Committee Meeting

March 9, 2017, 3 p.m.

* + Members present: Tim Meagher, Greg Tyler, Amy Crouse, Laurie Andrews, Michael Dyer, Barbara Bell, Julia Glanz
  + Non-members present: Katherine Jones, Bay Area Center for Independent Living
  + The Committee was unable to review the previous meeting’s minutes because they were not included in the packet; both the January minutes and the March minutes will be reviewed at the June meeting.
  + Tim introduced Chief Duncan, with the Salisbury Police Department, who discussed various aspects of Crisis Intervention Training, including:
    - The role players for training
    - Training while in the Academy
    - Field trips to transition houses
    - 75% of sworn staff have completed training (either in the Academy or afterward)
    - Agencies participated in CIT training on February 10, 2017.
  + Chief Duncan also discussed the following areas of SPD policy with the Committee:
    - All new regulations require new training.
    - SPD does have training for situations concerning individuals with dementia, but significant concerns arise when officers have no way to identify individuals.
    - 911 calls go to the County first. The operator then directs calls as necessary, which causes frustration for callers.
      * Chief Duncan suggested that citizens call the Police Department directly if it is not an emergency: (410) 548-3165
* Laurie offered to share information about Lower Shore Enterprises with SPD, and Amy offered to work with SPD on education and tours of BISM
* Katherine reported that the Family Resource Coordinator from Bay Area Center for Independent Living is currently providing training at MAC regarding disabilities.
* The Committee discussed the possibility of partnering with DILA on Face Time in order to better interact with members of the deaf community
* The Committee discussed inviting the following individuals to future meetings:
  + - John Moses with the Police Academy at Wor-Wic
    - Tammy Kitzner, with the Health Department
    - Paul Simon, who teaches the Criminal Justice CTE program at Parkside
    - A representative from the Salisbury Fire Department.
* Amy Crouse offered tours of BISM for anyone who might be interested.
  + The next meeting was scheduled for June 8, 2017 at 3 p.m.