



North Carolina Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Quarterly Meeting Agenda

Friday, February 6, 2025
9:00 am-3:00 pm

4307 Emperor Boulevard, Suite 110
Durham, North Carolina 2770

9:00 am Call to Order, Welcome, and Ethics Reminder
Michael Evola, Council Chair

9:05 am Communication Access Guidelines Reminder
Hope Turpin Turner, Council Vice Chair

9:10 am Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes
Michael Evola, Council Chair

9:15 am Council Chair Report
Michael Evola, Council Chair

9:20 am Council Vice Chair Report
Hope Turpin Turner, Council Vice Chair

9:25 am The Legislative Process
Hope Turpin Turner, Council Vice Chair

9:40 am Annual Review of Council Bylaws and Member Handbook
Michael Evola, Council Chair
Hope Turpin Turner, Council Vice Chair

10:00 am Communication Access Initiatives with the Department of State Treasurer
Dara Baril, NCDHHS Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program Lead

10:15 am 10 Minute Break

10:25 am Council Group Photo

10:30 am Education Committee Work Session - Long Leaf Room
Jennifer Woodard, Committee Chair
Committee Members

10:30 am Accessibility Committee Work Session - Central Pines Room
Laura Robison, Committee Chair
Committee Members

12:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Community Conversations
Tony Davis, NCDHHS Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Director

1:15 pm North Carolina Association for the Deaf Report
David Rosenthal, Council Member

1:25 pm Hearing Loss Association of America North Carolina State Association Report
Stephen Latus, Council Member

1:35 pm North Carolina DeafBlind Associates Report
Randall Pope, Council Member

1:45 pm North Carolina Black Deaf Advocates Report
Donald Tinsley, Council Member

1:55 pm Education Committee Report
Jennifer Woodard, Committee Chair

2:00 pm Accessibility Committee Report
Laura Robison, Committee Chair

2:05 pm New Business

2:35 pm Public Comments

2:55 pm Closing Remarks

3:00 pm Adjournment

2026 Meetings: May 1, August 7, and November 6
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