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AGENDA

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 23, 2026

9:30 am – 10:00 am

Welcome:

Virtual Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/jxxt7a_tQ4SGIMhMj29DHg

Relay Conference Captioning:

<https://www.captionsedtext.com/client/event.aspx?EventID=5978265&CustomerID=477>

Communications check and acceptance of minutes

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Presenter: Carolyn Ginsburg Stern, Director of Outreach and Strategic Initiatives



Bio: Carolyn Ginsburg Stern, MBA, is the Director of Outreach and Strategic Initiatives at the Center for Hearing and Communication (CHC), a not-for-profit hearing rehabilitation center based in New York City. As a bilateral cochlear implant user, she helps others hear and connect better with tips, technical information and support and is passionate about the role of healthy hearing in helping people lead productive and connected lives. She is a proud graduate of HLAA's N-CHATT (Network of Consumer Hearing Assistive Technology Trainers) program where she learned how to train other adults with hearing loss about hearing assistive technology. Prior to working at CHC, she had an extensive career in product management and marketing roles at American Express and other large corporations. She earned her MBA at Columbia University School of Business and BA at Northwestern University.

DDHH Update:

- Executive Director: Elizabeth Hill

Agency Reports:

- Deaf Specialist: Melissa Lamboy
- Hard of Hearing Specialist: Lauren Weishaar
- Language Instruction Program: Carrie Pogue
- Communication Access Team: Monica Ayrer

Committee Updates:

- Communications
- Legislative
- Education

Board Open Form:

- Community Input
- New Business
- Announcements

Meeting adjournment

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