

Minutes of February 5, 2020

Attending Members:

Officers:

Jae Jin Pak, Chair, Chicago
Michael Griswold, Vice-Chair, Rockford
Allison Boot, Treasurer, Urbana
Grace Tsao, Secretary, Des Plaines (telephone)

Members:

Gianna Baker, Forest Park (telephone)
Heather Baker, Olney
Jesus Campuzano, Chicago
John Eckert, DoA, Springfield (telephone)
Amy Foster, Edwardsville
Patrick Galligan, Edwardsville (telephone)
Christy Hultgren, Rock Island (telephone)
Hershel Jackson, Rock Island
Ryan Maloney, East Galesburg (telephone)
Andrea Medley, DDD, Springfield
Dave Patton, Good Hope
Dan Stupavsky, INCIL, Quincy (telephone)

Staff:

Shelly Richardson, Executive Director
Tara Dunning, Financial Manager

Guests:

Anna Austin, DSE, Springfield
Michele Miller, NICIL, Sterling

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Call to Order: The quarterly meeting of the SILC was called to order on Wednesday, February 5th at 10:02 am by Chair Jae Jin Pak.

SILC's mission statement was read by Michael Griswold and introductions were made. Pak welcomed our three recently appointed members, Hershel Jackson, Heather Baker and Jesus (Chuy) Campuzano. A quorum has been established.

Pak reported that resignations have been received from Rachel Mellen and Catherine Grochowski making it necessary to appoint a new chairperson as well as officers.

MOTION: Foster made a motion to accept the slate of officers as discussed. Campuzano seconded the motion.

Effective immediately the Officers are:

Jae Jin Pak – Chair
Michael Griswold – Vice-Chair
Allison Boot – Treasurer
Grace Tsao – Secretary

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from May, August, and November 2019 were presented for approval.

MOTION: Boot motioned to accept the minutes from May, August, and November 2019 as written. Hultgren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chair's Report: Chair Pak thanked those present and on the telephone for establishing a quorum for the first time in many months. He welcomed Chuy Campuzano, Hershel Jackson and Heather Baker and looks forward to working with them.

Pak reported he and Shelly Richardson will be attending the SILC Congress 2020 in San Diego at the end of February. He hopes to learn news of the submission process for the 2021-2023 State Plan for Independent Living which is due to ACL on June 30, 2020 and becomes effective on October 1, 2020.

Operations Committee: Boot reviewed the changes to the fiscal policy which was reviewed during the November meeting. Items discussed were incorporated and minor revisions made.

MOTION: Griswold motioned to accept the fiscal policy as presented. Jackson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Boot provided a written report which is available in the meeting packet. She discussed the monthly financial reports for April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December 2019 which all need approval.

MOTION: Campuzano motioned to accept the financial reports for April through December 2019. Foster seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MOTION: Boot motioned to accept the audit report for fiscal year 2019 provided by Estes, Bridgewater and Ogden at the November meeting. Campuzano seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Outreach Committee Report: Foster reported that she is pleased to see that the Governor's office has made four appointments but reminded members that we are always looking for good people to have on our list of potential members. We still have three

vacancies which include replacements for Gamble, Mellen, and a representative from ISBE.

Executive Director's Report:

- Richardson asked that members of advisory groups provide a brief update on their activities at this time.
- She reported that LINC in Swansea will not be available today to present as indicated on the agenda.
- Richardson discussed the development of the new SPIL due June 30, 2020 and the work being done within the advisory groups to write objectives and activities. She has met with the INCIL director, John Herring, to discuss collaborative activities in the draft.
- Richardson discussed a 30th anniversary celebration of the ADA event being planned for July 31st with many organizations in the Springfield area.
- As a board member of Housing Action Illinois, Richardson is pleased to report they have developed a legislative agenda for 2020.
- She continues to attend monthly SILC Region V conference calls.
- A visit is planned February 12th to meet with staff from Jacksonville Area Center for Independent Living.

INCIL Report: Stupavsky reported that Richardson attended the INCIL meeting on February 4 and reminded CIL directors of the importance of drafting language for "Section 3.2: Expansion and Adjustment of Network" in the new SPIL and their obligation to ensure language this section is written to their satisfaction. This section of the SPIL is extremely important as it outlines where additional funding will be allocated should funding be provided anytime in the three years of the Plan.

Overall, CILs are doing well and are looking at long term plans, expansion of programs, and creating new programs. They are sharing information and numbers with Richardson for reporting purposes within the current SPIL.

Draft State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) 2021 – 2023 Discussion: Council members reviewed the goals, objectives and activities written in the draft SPIL carefully and made revisions where necessary. Richardson reported the changes discussed today will be incorporated and the SPIL Drafting Committee will meet one last time to review the document. Public hearings will be held in April and the SPIL will need to be approved in May by 51% of Center directors and SILC before being submitted to ACL by June 30. The SPIL is effective October 1, 2020 through September 31, 2023.

DSE Report: Anna Austin is present today representing the DSE. Erik Hanson has taken another position and until Hanson's job is filled, Anna will be attending the SILC meetings. She reported she is working on completing the DSE's sections in the new SPIL.

DDD Report: Andrea Medley reported that Division of Developmental Disabilities has a new director Allison Stark. She is pleased to report that other administrative positions have now been filled as well.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 2.55pm. This motion was seconded by Foster and the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: The next quarterly meeting of the Statewide Independent Living Council will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2020.

Grace Tsao, Secretary

Date