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STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SIILC) QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING HOLIDAY INN, BOISE, IDAHO JULY 12 – 13, 2017

Attendees

Council: Sean Burlile, Candy Harris, Melva Heinrich, Roger Howard, Rick Huber, Max Hudson, Ray Lockary, Angela MacDonald, Denise Myler, Non Reyes, Molly Sherpa, Mike Smith, William Toombs

Guests: Krista Cramer & Beth Cunningham

Ex-Officio: (Non-Voting Members) Beth Kriete, Nancy Wise, Jane Donnellan

SIILC Staff: Mel Leviton, Jami Davis, Lyn Moore, Jerry Riener

Meeting support: 2 ASL interpreters & 2 PAs

Absent: Eric Bjork, Ramona Medicine Horse

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 9:06 am, Wednesday, July 12, 2017 by Ray Lockary, Chair
Introductions	Purpose: Introduce members, staff and visitors Facilitator: Ray Lockary, Chair
2. Motion Approval of Minutes	Motion was made and carried to approve the May 5 th , 2017 council meeting minutes.
Motion Perfection of Agenda	Motion was made and carried to approve the agenda.
3. May Meeting Evaluation	Facilitator: Molly Sherpa, Membership Committee Molly presented an overview of the May Meeting Evaluation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May Meeting Evaluation Form handout was provided

	to Council.
4. Executive Director Report	<p>Facilitator: Mel Leviton, Executive Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACL update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SPIL amendments submitted on June 26, 2017 and awaiting approval by October 1st, 2017 ○ Deb Cotter is now our program officer at ACL ○ ACL potential restructuring/funding in FFY2018 proposal that SILC, TBI, and DD Council be combined into one cross-disability council reducing money by \$57 million ○ Under WIOA, SILC required to be free-standing, in order to combine agencies, legislation will need to be amended • Marketing roll out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Infographic is completed and available through SILC • State plans & reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ June 19th submitted State Strategic Plan • Executive Director/SILC activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Staff and a staff from LINC and DRI are taking ASL classes twice a week for the next 6 months ○ SILC & partners have worked with Hewlett Packard employee group for about 10 months. Most recently completed disability etiquette training partners to 400 people at HP ○ IFHC has completed the first year of work with the funding SILC supplied. A detailed list of items completed is available through SILC
5. Executive/ Finance Committee Report	<p>Facilitator: Ray Lockary, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Review – Lyn Moore, SILC Fin. Spec. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding sources have not changed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Title I – \$35,269.42 balance ▪ Title VII - \$42,774.57 balance ▪ General Fund - 100% of funds spent at the end of FY17

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Statewide Development - \$32,482.00 balance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request to continue to use those funds at the discretion of the Executive Director as unrestricted money. A smaller expenditure would be approved by Director; larger amounts will be at the approval of the Executive Committee. Motion to approve, seconded, motion carried • Executive Committee made a recommendation to continue \$2,600 grant to IFHC to support Fair Housing Ambassador program for FFY2018 Motion to approve, seconded, motion carried • SWDEV funds will provided a resource for the provision of ASL interpreters for various events around the state as indicated in the approved SPIL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dedicated Funds - \$218,388 balance. Goal to maintain \$180,000 at all time ○ APRIL attendance – October 20-23, 2017, Spokane, WA. Title VII can support 3 Council Member’s APRIL attendance. General funds can support 1 additional Council Member with Council’s approval to use general funds. Motion to send a total of 3 staff and 4 council members to APRIL, seconded, motion carried Motion to use any savings toward youth scholarships with an approved scholarship application on file, Seconded, motion carried <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LINC will help with funds to send youth to
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	APRIL
6. Training SharePoint	Facilitator: Lyn Moore, SILC Financial Specialist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyn will convert documents to a PDF • User information will be emailed out to council members following the Council meeting
7. Committee Sessions	Facilitators: Committee Chairs
Working Lunch On site	Peer to Peer support, regional collaboration and continuation of committee meetings.
8. Membership/ Outreach Committee Report	Facilitator: Molly Sherpa, Membership committee member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review membership term expiration dates • Resignations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raul Enriquez has accepted another position and has resigned from the council • Open positions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth SILC member needed • Replacements for ex-officio members (do we want/need to replace?) Table decision for future meeting • Review applications for upcoming and/or current open positions • Make recommendations • Vote, if needed
9. Planning Committee Report	Facilitator: Melva Heinrich, Planning Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outline next day quarterly SPIL review activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Excel Spreadsheet put on SharePoint in order to update data as completed. • Brainstorm ideas for the process to occur the next day, determine groups for activities

**10. Policy
Committee
Report**

Facilitator: Rick Huber, Policy Chair

- Review assignments from May meeting
- Discuss Public Policy agenda:
 - Repeal/replace ACA bills (AHCA & BCRA), Executive Director recommends opposition
 - Proposing major cuts and changes to Medicaid

SILC stance is to oppose anything that harms or negatively changes health care.

- ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017 (H.R. 620), Executive Director recommends opposition

Motion to oppose the Act, seconded, motion carried

- Disability Integration Act (S. 910/HB 2472), Executive Director recommends support

Motion from previous meetings to support has been upheld

- ABLÉ Act improvement bills
 - Raises the age for onset of disability from 26 to 46
 - Allowing transfer of funds from college savings account to ABLÉ account
 - Increase annual contribution by \$11,000 for a total of \$25,000. All money put in ABLÉ account will be made tax deductible.
 - Employers can contribute to an ABLÉ account. Up to \$100 a year will not be counted as a fringe benefit. This allows employers to cover the yearly fee up to \$100.
 - Can move the money tax free from 529 to ABLÉ back and forth for a family member

Motion to support all listed ABLÉ Act bills, seconded, motion carried

- ACL budget recommendation

Motion to oppose ACL budget recommendation, seconded, motion carried

- Potential state legislation
- Others

<p>11. Agency Reports</p>	<p>Facilitator: Ray Lockary, Council Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LINC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Assisted over 50 people (including modifications) since last meeting ○ Personal Assistance Services program doing well, just had audit in Region 3 that went well, had a couple of corrections needed ○ Hired a half time individual to help with assistive technology program ○ Working steadily on Systems advocacy with elected representatives ○ Medicaid Rally held in Twin Falls ○ Hired assistant director in June • DAC-NW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ADA celebration and training on difference between service animal and companion animal on July 21st in Lewiston ○ Still very active in BluePath • LIFE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Started up Adult nightlife with different activities ○ Started Teen nightlife with different activities ○ IL Conference September 16th in Idaho Falls ○ Created a red folder that holds disaster information that can be kept on person's fridge. ○ Created \$1000 scholarship for transitioning youth to help with a semester of continued education • ICBVI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Working on case management system required by WIOA ○ Working with HP to help with accessibility ○ Interviewing for transitional coordinator position that will be starting in August ○ Had a work readiness camp with 9 attendees ○ Currently in work summer program for youth for 6 weeks, also have similar programs around the state
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Serving over 1800 people in the IL program • IDVR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Under State Board of Education • Line items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Request specific to a VR program ○ Position request dealing with social security ○ Council for Deaf and Hard of Hearing position request • IATP (guest) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Received a permanent continuation of deaf/blind program
12. Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) Update and YLF Workshop	Facilitator: Jami Davis, YAC Coordinator and Max Hudson, SILC/YAC Member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain YLF experience • Discuss YLF timeline and support needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tentative dates for YLF July 15 – 20, 2018 ○ Held at Boise State University ○ Planning committee members are being identified
13. Motion Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:16 pm July 12, 2017. Motion made and carried to adjourn.
	SILC Quarterly Business Meeting July 13, 2017
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 9:13 am, Thursday, July 13, 2017 by Ray Lockary, Chair
2. SPIL Review	Facilitators: Melva Heinrich, Planning Chair and Mel Leviton, Executive Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion took place on the process for updating the current SPIL. Mel Leviton, SILC Executive Director, emphasized reporting on the SPIL activities is only relevant to the current activities. The discussion continued to articulate the definition of activities and

	<p>data capture.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melva Heinrich, Planning Committee Chair, suggested the Planning Committee meet again to identify a core group that will assist with SPIL process for reporting. • Jerry Riener, SILC Program Specialist, suggested a college intern to assist with data collection and analysis. • Key to the process is to collect data on a quarterly basis. • Melva Heinrich reported back after the Planning Committee met over lunch. The plan is to proceed with Excel template on SharePoint. A reminder system was created so Council Members are reminded prior to Council meetings. The Planning Committee will call partners to remind them of reporting needs prior to each Council meeting. Planning Committee will meet five weeks prior to Council meeting to resolve any questions on data received. SILC will receive data four weeks before Council meeting for reporting purposes.
<p>3. Presentation SILC ABLE Information and Activities</p>	<p>Facilitator: Jerry Riener, SILC Program Specialist Jerry presented ABLE Technical Assistance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABLE contribution maximum is \$14,000 per year. • Income earned on ABLE accounts is not taxed at the Federal level. Income is currently taxed at the state level. • ABLE Account funds do not count toward other resources/benefits. • Only one ABLE account per person. • NationalABLE.org is a good resource. • If rent or utilities will be paid from ABLE Account, it must be done with debit card. If you move to regular checking account, it then becomes a resource and could put individual over resource limit. • Investment accounts vary in risk, individuals/guardians are investing at their own risk. • Investment professionals do provide advice. • Send inquiries and contacts to Jerry.

4. <u>Motion</u> Schedule 2018 Meetings	Facilitator: Jami Davis, SILC Management Assistant/Youth Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed Dates: January 11-12, 2018, April 13, 2018, July 12-13, 2018, and October 12, 2018. Motion made and carried to accept proposed dates.
Working Lunch On site	Peer to Peer support and regional collaboration.
5. Training Grassroots Advocacy	Facilitators: Mel Leviton, SILC Executive Director and Rick Huber, Policy Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue Identification – National: Healthcare, DIA, ABLE Amendments, ADA roll backs • Mel Leviton emphasized the importance of Council Members teaching community members to reach out to Senators and Representatives. • If calling as representative of SILC, you can't tell them how to vote. You can call/email as an individual (Idaho constituent) and tell them how to vote.
6. Training Fair Housing	Facilitator: Alison Brace, Intermountain Fair Housing Council (IFHC) Presentation by Alison Brace on IFHC mission. Alison led an informational discussion and answered many questions on the Fair Housing Act.
7. Complete Travel Forms and Evaluations	Next Meeting Location: Holiday Inn Boise Airport 2970 W Elder Boise, Idaho 83705
Next Meeting	October 11, 2017
<u>Motion</u> Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:02pm July 13, 2017. Motion made and carried to adjourn.