

**STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SILC)**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**September 2, 2021**  
**Zoom Meeting**

Members present included Alan Adel, Mark Koterwski, Mark Sternhagen, Tasha Jones, and Eric Weiss. Others: Colette Wagoner, SILC staff and Rick Norris was the interpreter.

Meeting convened at 10:00 am. Alan, SILC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM.

Members met to discuss the agenda for the upcoming SILC meeting. Initial conversation pertained to the SD open meeting requirements and facilitating meetings through the use of a variety of methods of access i.e., Zoom, telephone and an on-site location. Members agreed that hosting the meetings virtually has been working very well. And, with the rise in positive cases of COVID, it was agreed that the SILC should continue in this manner. It was agreed that the September meeting would be held virtually with telephone access in addition to the on-site meeting location utilizing a conference room at the SD Rehabilitation Center.

**MOTION TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION OF MEETING OPTIONS UNTIL THE NEXT SILC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, MADE (M), SECONDED (S) AND CARRIED (C).**

YEAS – Mark S, Mark K, and Tasha. NAYS - None.

The draft agenda was reviewed. This meeting will highlight the Champion of Independent Living Services Award item, honoring Helen Hartmann as the recipient of the award. Staff spoke with Helen several weeks ago and she was comfortable with attending in person to receive her award. Staff will confirm with Helen if this is still true in order to continue. (Staff contacted Helen following the Executive Committee meeting and confirmed arrangements with her. Helen is comfortable with attending in person and will have a few guests with her). There were very minor edits made to the agenda, **MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS READ, MSC.** YEAS – Mark S, Mark K, and Tasha. NAYS - None.

Other discussion items included the SILC's Individual Training Plan which is completed on an annual basis. Staff will disseminate the training plan and encourage members to complete/submit it. Alan asked if others participated in the two SILC trainings offered by Independent Living Research Utilization (ILRU). Two training topics were designed specifically for SILC's – "SILC Roles and Responsibilities within the IL Network" and "SILC's and the Importance of Autonomy: Power Struggle and Relationships with the DSE and IL Network". Several had participated. Staff stated that the webinars are archived and available on ILRU's website. Staff will forward this information to SILC members and encourage them to watch them when they have the time and opportunity to do so. This information can be shared/forwarded to new members as well for new member orientation. Staff also noted that appointments/reappointments have been made to the SILC.

There was no other business at this time. The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10:42 am.