

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL
Executive Committee Meeting
August 19, 2026

Meeting Held Via Zoom - 11:00 a.m. (Central Time)

Members present: Ryan Groeneweg, Kendra Gottsleben, and Matt Cain.

Members Absent: Brett Glirbas.

Others present: Eric Weiss, Division of Rehabilitation Services/Designated State Entity Director, Jennifer Lewis, DRS Independent Living Program Specialist and SILC member and Colette Wagoner, SILC staff.

The committee reviewed the proposed September meeting agenda. Eric noted that he would like to bring forward several data elements for review and discussion under the IL Specialist Report. Timelines were adjusted for several agenda items, as appropriate.

The SILC will host the Champion of Independent Living Services Award Presentation, recognizing Kathy Luke, owner of Yakkity Yak Coffee Shack in Sioux Falls. Kendra, along with Steph Badwound, will speak on behalf of the South Dakota Youth Engagement Council (YEC).

Ryan asked about the timeline for development of the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) and for presenting information to the full SILC. Draft goals, objectives, and indicators will be shared at the September meeting, and the remaining sections will be presented at the December meeting. The current plan is to continue development activities in preparation for releasing the State Plan for public comment in early 2027.

Jennifer reminded members that SPIL Committee meetings have been open to the public. She noted that other SILC members and members of the public are welcome to attend if interested.

Chair Ryan Groeneweg asked if there was any other business to discuss. There being none, he adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.