

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL
Executive Committee Meeting
August 5, 2020
Zoom Meeting

Members present: Alan Adel, Mark Koterwski, Mark Sternhagen, Tasha Jones and Eric Weiss. Others: Colette Wagoner, SILC staff. Interpreters were Julie Paluch and Juli Hamilton.

Meeting convened at 11:00 am.

Members met via Zoom to discuss the draft agenda for the upcoming SILC meeting. The draft agenda was reviewed, and minor edits were made throughout the discussion. Members talked about quarterly meetings, agendas, and the need to provide written instructions on the agendas and how individuals could access the meeting if held via Zoom or other medium (to include internet link and/or phone/dial in instructions). Staff will include instructions on the agenda as provided by Zoom for anyone to participate in the meeting.

A lengthier discussion involving the committees took place. This included asking staff to disseminate the committee listing to all members prior to the quarterly meeting. This will identify current membership and committees that might need more members to serve (i.e., one committee has one member serving). The quarterly meeting will involve committee reports, discussion of committees and membership, and asking members to make a committee choice/selection. It was noted that the bylaws reference a members' responsibility to include serving on at least one committee (they may serve on more than one committee if they so choose). Following the quarterly meeting, committees will be asked to identify a committee chairperson, and to let staff know by early October.

The agenda item "Champion of IL" was listed, but no individual was identified to take the lead nor an amount of time identified. There was discussion regarding lack of nominations received for this award, difficult timing due to COVID-19 and other implications. Mark Koterwski agreed to lead the discussion during the quarterly meeting and suggested an amount of time. There was consensus supporting this.

Eric will speak to the Fall Conference and that it will be held virtually vs in person. Members talked about adding language to the agenda item to reflect a broader topic for training for CIL staff members. The Division had incorporated tracks into this conference several years ago that pertained to the independent living service delivery system.

The SILC policy on “A Process to Verify Centers for Independent Living are Eligible to Sign the State Plan in Compliance with 45 CFR 1329.17(d)(2)(iii) has been revised for consideration by the SILC. Staff worked with Division staff and the CIL directors to identify acceptable language for consideration. Alan wanted to ensure the citation of the Rehabilitation Act was correct outlining the definition of a Center for Independent Living. He agreed to work with staff on this.

A few more minor edits were made to the draft agenda.

There was no other business. There was consensus to adjourn the meeting at 12:52 pm.