



Statewide Independent Living Council
1125 15th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20005-2726

DC STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT COUNCIL

12:00 – 2:00pm

Minutes August 4, 2016

Independence Square

350 E Street, SW

Washington, DC 20024

Attendees:

District of Columbia Statewide Independent Council Board Members

Elver Ariza-Silva, Chair

Yvonne Z Smith, Co-Chair

Darnise Henry Bush, Co-Chair -Excused

Ronald L. Thomas, SILC Secretary

Caren Kirkland, SILC Treasurer

Marsha Thompson, Member

Shileta L. Gorham, Member

Caren Kirkland, Member

Heyab Berhan, Member

Hazel Mosby, Member

Thomas Mangrum, Member - Excused

Dahlia G. Johnson, Administrative Assistant –SILC

PUBLIC

Joseph Smith

SPIL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Chair asked the SILC members to read the goals and objectives so that they can become familiar with what SILC is planned to do in FY17. New regulations Of WIOA might change (internally) the “functionality” of the SILC more than the objectives that have been stated on the SPIL, already.

Shileta indicated that NCIL would like to get youth members to join boards and committees

SUB-COMMITTEE GROUPS

The list of sub-committees were reviewed and it was determined that some of committees were not needed. After which the Chair asked each member to volunteer to be a part of a committee. The only committee deleted from the list was “Service and Needs Committee” because it was determined this committee overlapped and fell under a few other committees. The following committees remained: Executive Committee, State Plan Committee, By-Laws Committee, Advocacy Committee and the Public Relations Committee.

The Chair said the list is for all members to be a part of and will be open to changes, if needed. The Chair asked Dahlia to send an email asking all members to volunteer to work on a committee.

NCIL CONFERENCE FEEDBACK

Shileta stated that NCIL is trying to get youth more involved with NCIL and CILs, as well. They also want them to join boards and committees that affect the services that are provided to them, and stressed the importance of youth voting in this year’s election.

Yvonne informed the council that she attended the NCIL Board Meeting and learned a lot. She informed the Council of the following:

1. Bob Williams from Administration for Community Living (ACL) talked about things the ACL were going to do.

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The Chair attended an International gathering and said that in regards the diversity and inclusiveness, NCIL is developing by having representatives from Japan and some guest from Nepal. He also said there was a moment silence for the 19 people that were killed with a knife in Japan.

Shileta stated that a group had just returned from Japan and they were sharing how accessible Japan was and how innovative they were in helping individuals cross the streets in Japan.

The Japanese challenged NCIL to hold the International Summit here in Washington, DC next year. They accepted.

2017 SILC CONGRESS UPDATE

The SILC Congress will be held in Phoenix, AZ, January 17-21, 2017. More information will be given at the September 22, 2016, meeting.

TRANSPORT DC

Transport DC was a pilot program originally established and operated by WMATA to supplement Metro Access Riders transportation to medical appointments. Unfortunately, the program ran out of funds due to the great increase in ridership. The District Government provided supplemental funding and it is now a DC Government Agency. As of July 22, 2016 through September 30, 2016, Transport DC will reserve trips for Metro Access eligible persons to doctor's appointment and/or employment. DC Transport will resume full day service for Metro Access eligible persons starting October 1, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2:30pm.

SILC SUB-COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Elver Ariza-Silva, Chair
Darnise Henry Bush
Yvonne Smith
Ronald L. Thomas
Caren Kirkland

STATE PLAN COMMITTEE

Elver Ariza-Siva
Shileta Gorham
Karen Kirkland
Yvonne Z. Smith

By-Laws Committee

Elver Ariza-Silva
Marsha Thompson

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Shileta Gorham
Richard Simms
Heyab Berhan
Hazel Mosby

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Shileta Gorham
Caren Kirkland
Ronald Lee Thomas

Bush, Darnise (DDS)

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Good afternoon Ms. Bush,

I am the new Associate Director of the Health Boards and I wanted to reach out to you with a excel screen shot of the SILC to ensure what we have in our database is accurate. Please let me know if there are any discrepancies.

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