

# **Missouri Statewide Independent Living Council**

Jefferson City, Missouri

August 21, 2015

**Members in Attendance:** Chris Camene, Gary Maddox, Joseph Matovu, Pat Chambers, Donna Borgmeyer, Nancy Pope, Kathy Kay; On Phone: Gloria Boyer, Debbie Peabody

Members not in attendance: Tina Vinson, Jennifer Williams

**Others in Attendance:** Brenda Whitlock, MO-AT; Kelly Flaughner, VR; Tammy McSorley, SILC; Tonya Fambro, VR; Kelly Cook, VR; Rita Lynch, RSB; Rob Honan, GCD; Amy Plumlee; Vicki Keller; Melody Beaver, SCIL; Rachel Nelson, SCIL; Sara McDowell, SADI; Jeanne Loyd, VR; Shawn Brice, MFP; On Phone: Barry Elbasani, VR; Kim Gee, VR; Kelly Shrewsbury, OMO; Tec Chapman, SIL

## **Agenda and SILC Meeting Minutes Approval**

Chris Camene called the meeting to order and started introductions around the room. Chris asked for a review of the agenda. The Budget Report was moved up to accommodate the schedule of Pat Chambers. Kathy Kay made a motion to accept the agenda as amended and the minutes from the May 2015 SILC Meeting. Pat Chambers seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the council by vote.

## **Chair Report – Chris Camene**

No report.

## **DSE Reports**

### **Vocational Rehabilitation – Kelly Flaughner**

Kelly discussed the WIOA act and how VR has reviewed the draft regulations with RSB. VR did make comments during the comment period and are now awaiting the final regulations for that program. There have been several meetings between agencies that will help prepare the combined State Plan that is due March 16. IL draft regulations were sent to OMB by Health and Human Services July 21. Typically OMB has sixty days to review those and get back to the ACL. On the state level, Dr. Jeanne Loyd, Rick Longley, Tonya Fambro, Kim Gee, and Kelly Flaughner met with the CILs on July 13 to discuss the state budget process. Dr. Loyd requested the CILs send a letter to VR to state their budget requests. Preliminary budget information was sent to the State Board of Education for their approval. VR will be requesting \$950,000 in additional IL funds. The message along with the budget request is that the IL funding is currently \$450,000 below what it was in state fiscal year 2009. And in addition, WIOA added a new core service that is required but no additional funding was provided.

Kelly discussed the VR PETS program which is the Potentially Eligible Transition Services that is a big part of the WIOA. There were three programs implemented over the summer to meet the new WIOA requirements. One of the programs was a IL pilot program for PETS students that the CILs applied to provide the training.

Kelly Cook will be sending out an email to the CILs on upcoming events and reports that are due in 2015.

Tonya Fambro discussed the CIL PETS program from this summer. The DESE Transition Summer Institute was June 16-18 at the Lake of the Ozarks.

## **Rehabilitation Services for the Blind – Rita Lynch**

RSB is on target to make the target numbers for 2015. RSB is confident they will meet the standards and indicators for this year. RSB is also involved in the WIOA steering committee. RSB has attended several Back to School Fairs.

## **NCIL Report**

No report.

## **SRC Report – Joseph Matovu**

The SRC met on August 6. VR does not have a waiting list for services at this time.

## **RSB Advisory Council - Donna Borgmeyer**

No report.

### **APRIL Report**

No report.

### **MFP Report – Shawn Brice**

There have been 145 transitions so far this year. This has been the best year ever for MFP in terms of transitions. MFP is working with Health and Senior Services to finalize the budget numbers. If approved, Missouri Assistive Technology will provide matching dollars to MFP to assist transitions. MFP has advertised on MeTV in the markets for St. Louis, Kansas City, Springfield, Columbia and Jefferson City. MFP will provide nursing facilities with a cheat sheet on the Section Q referral process. The stakeholder meeting had a presentation by the Missouri Interdisciplinary of Guardianship Stakeholders.

### **DHSS Report**

No report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Budget Committee – Pat Chambers**

The committee met to review expenditures from the last quarter. Pat reported on the balance and activity of the 501c3 account. Those reports are in the SILC member's folders for review. There was discussion on how remaining Part B funds are used. There was discussion on RSB being a DSE in Missouri. Gary Maddox suggested that VR send a representative to the SILC Congress. Joseph Matovu made a motion to approve both budget reports. Nancy Pope seconded the motion. The motion was approved by vote of the council. Pat reviewed the budget proposal for the next fiscal year. Gary Maddox made a motion to add \$1000 to the Housing Committee grant. There was discussion and Gary Maddox withdrew his motion. Gary Maddox made a motion to add the \$1000 to the Housing Committee grant and let the Budget Committee present a revised budget at the November meeting. After discussion Gary Maddox withdrew his motion based on the deadline for the fiscal year. Gary Maddox made a motion to increase the Housing Committee grant by \$1000. Chris Camene seconded the motion. There was discussion on other areas of the budget including sending youth to the APRIL conference and continued support of the Missouri Youth Leadership Forum. Pat discussed the SILC's ability to sponsor youth to attend the APRIL conference. The budget committee recommended using \$350 from the Part B funds to reimburse a registration expense for a CIL that would send a youth to the APRIL conference. An additional \$650 from the 501c3 funds would be used to reimburse the CIL for that youth's travel expenses for a total of \$1000. There was a vote on Gary Maddox's motion to add an additional \$1000 to the Housing Committee grant. The motion was approved by vote of the council. Pat Chambers made a motion to approve the amended proposed budget for 2106. Gary Maddox seconded the motion. The motion was approved by vote of the council. Pat Chambers made a motion to use \$350 from Part B funds and \$650 from the 501c3 account to reimburse a CIL for a youth to attend the APRIL conference. Nancy Pope seconded the motion. There was discussion on how many youths to send to the APRIL conference. Gary Maddox made a motion to sponsor two CIL reimbursements for youths to attend the APRIL conference in 2015 and two in 2016. Kathy Kay seconded the motion. Chris Camene called for a vote. The motion by Gary Maddox was approved by vote of the council with one opposed.

### **Executive Committee – Chris Camene**

The committee did not meet due to scheduling issues. Chris Camene discussed the SPIL development and representation. Chris suggested that the SILC representative at the SPIL development meetings not be a CIL director or staff. Debbie Peabody said she would be willing to do this.

Chris discussed the SILC agenda and trying to increase CIL attendance at SILC meetings. Gary Maddox made a motion to draft a letter to send to DHSS to request a representative to attend SILC meetings and give a report. Chris Camene seconded the motion. The motion was approved by vote of the council.

### **Outreach Committee – Gloria Boyer**

Gloria discussed her efforts to work with different groups to learn about the unserved and under-served populations with disabilities.

Gloria responded to a request the SILC received about linking to their website on the MOSILC website. Efforts to contact this person were made and not returned.

### **Emergency Management Committee – Pat Chambers**

Pat had to leave to attend a meeting at SEMA so Gary Maddox discussed the FAST program and the slow progress with SEMA to get the program implemented.

### **Housing Committee – Nancy Pope**

The committee met by conference call to discuss the feedback from the webinar on UD. The committee discussed doing more training on accessible housing and UD. A suggestion was made to offer a demonstration grant to have the CILs do their own trainings in their areas. There was discussion on different ideas for finding accessible housing.

The Housing Committee is planning to schedule a date to visit the capital and speak with legislators.

### **SPIL Compliance Committee – Chris Camene**

The committee did not meet this quarter but plans to schedule a conference call to discuss the IL outcomes survey and the Statewide needs assessment survey. Chris will be working on getting a SPIL development committee started.

### **Training Committee – Joseph Matovu**

The committee has met to discuss the Power Up to the Summit planning. Brenda Whitlock from MO-AT spoke to the SILC about combining the Power UP conference and the IL Summit. The Power Up to the Summit will be held on April 17-19, 2016 at the St. Charles Convention Center.

### **Youth Transition Committee – Debbie Peabody**

The committee has sent out surveys to the delegates from the Missouri Leadership Forum. The committee would like to encourage youth participation on the SILC and on SILC committees. The youth delegates indicated an interest in regional youth councils also. There was discussion on adding youth representation in the next SPIL. There was discussion on adding a youth section on the MOSILC website.

### **Nominations Committee – Gary Maddox**

Gary discussed developing a uniform orientation and training for new SILC members or committee members. There are approximately twelve applicants to the SILC at the Governor's Office Boards and Commissions. Gary will contact the Office of Boards and Commissions to inquire about the status of those applications. Gary will work on PSA ads to send out to the CILs to share with their local radio stations to solicit potential council members.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chris Camene discussed the awardees for the WIPA grants. Missouri Protection & Advocacy will cover the west side of the state and Paraquad will cover the East side of the state.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Kathy Kay wanted to remind everyone about the Hands Around the Capital on October 6 at noon.

### **Open Forum**

There was a presentation on the youth program at SCIL by Rachel Nelson and Melody Beaver from SCIL.

### **Adjourn**

Gary Maddox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Kathy Kay. The motion was approved by the council. The next meeting will be on November 20, 2015 in Jefferson City, MO.