

Missouri Statewide Independent Living Council

Jefferson City, Missouri

June 20, 2014

Members in Attendance: Pat Chambers; Chris Camene; Joseph Matovu; Jim Brinkmann, RSB; Gloria Boyer; Katheryne Staeger-Wilson; Debbie Peabody; On Phone: Jennifer Williams; Tina Vinson

Members not in attendance: Dr. David Gray; Jessica Hatfield; Nancy Pope; Barrnie Cooper

Others in Attendance: Tammy McSorley, SILC; Tonya Fambro, VR; Dorothy Parks, VR; Kathy Kay, WILS; Kelly Cook, VR; Julie Juergens, MFP; Melinda Cardone, ILRC; Gary Maddox, SCIL; Barry Elbasani, VR; On Phone: Nancy Murphy, DCIL; Vicky Keller, MERIL; Cathy Bower, OIL; Rosemary Hendon, OIL; Tec Chapman, SIL; Kathy Brown, DCIL

Agenda

Chris Camene called the meeting to order and started introductions around the room. Chris asked for approval of the agenda. Joseph Matovu made a motion to approve the agenda. Pat Chambers seconded the motion. The agenda was approved by the council.

SILC Meeting Minutes Approval

Chris Camene asked for approval of the minutes from the February 2014 Council Meeting. Pat Chambers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Joseph Matovu seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the council.

Chair Report – Chris Camene

Chris gave her update in the Executive Committee report.

DSU Reports

Vocational Rehabilitation – Tonya Fambro

The state budget is waiting for approval from the Governor. This includes the \$455,000 increase that was requested for the CIL state grant.

Tonya Fambro and Barry Elbasani enrolled in an online course on CIL financial management. Tonya recommended that CIL financial staff enroll in this course.

Tonya participated in an RSA review at a center in Oregon.

Tonya Fambro, Kelly Cook, and Barry Elbasani did board training at BAILS and TWP.

There will be a CIL training opportunity on July 24 in Jefferson City. This training will include topics such as ramps, home modifications, IL skills training, and transition.

Kelly Cook discussed the DESE Transition Institute conference.

Tonya announced the retirement of Dorothy Parks, effective September 1, 2014.

Rehabilitation Services for the Blind – Jim Brinkmann

Mark Laird, Deputy Director for RSB has retired. Kevin Foust is the Acting Deputy Director now.

RSB received feedback from their RSA review and were one of four state agencies nationwide that met all standards and indicators.

Travis Smith is the new district supervisor for the southeast office.

Jim discussed the recent public forums that RSB hosted. RSB invited consumers that had recently completed the VR and IL process and were successfully closed cases. The consumers were invited to talk about their experiences and gave feedback on the whole process.

SRC Report

No report.

RSB Advisory Council – Barrnie Cooper

No report.

APRIL Report – Gary Maddox

The APRIL conference will be held in Albuquerque, NM on October 17-20, 2014. The first day will also be a youth leadership conference.

APRIL will be presenting a report on minimum funding for centers. The recommended minimum will be \$570,000.

There was a discussion on outreach to veterans.

MFP Report – Julie Juergens

The budget for the MFP was approved for calendar year 2014. MFP was awarded \$8.9 million. Most of that is for direct services. Legislation that approved sustainability for the MFP did not make it through the legislative process. The MFP stakeholders group will be working on getting the legislation submitted again for next year.

The stakeholder group has an outreach committee that is doing a pilot program in Cape Girardeau that includes faith-based organizations and how they may help the program on the outreach side.

DSS has a social media member on the outreach committee so that any information to go out will be able to be approved by that person.

AARP has joined the MFP stakeholders group.

CMS will be attending the MFP stakeholders meeting in August.

MFP now has a data use agreement with CMS. CMS will be providing a server to support the data. MFP will review the data to identify potential consumers needing transition services.

CMS is including the MFP program in the Home and Community-based services conference in Washington, DC in September.

DHSS Report – Bobbi Jo Garber

No report.

MOCIL Legislative Report – Gary Maddox

No report. Gary Maddox asked to be removed from this report as he is not on the MOCIL legislative committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Chris Camene

The committee has met by conference call three times to discuss the new SILC website. The site is ready for the next step of being transferred over to the new web host. The link to the temporary website will go out to the council for comment next week and then the actual site will go live. The new site will feature a search function for looking up center information. There will also be an interactive map of the state that will show center contact information.

The committee made a recommendation to send the SILC administrative assistant and two SILC members to the APRIL conference in October. Kathyryne Staeger-Wilson made a motion to accept the recommendation from the committee. Joseph Matovu seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the council.

Budget Committee – Barrnie Cooper

Barrnie Cooper was not in attendance at the SILC meeting. Chris Camene gave the update on the budget information. The committee met to discuss the quarterly financial reports. The 501c3 account now has a balance of \$20,849. Pat Chambers made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Katheryne Staeger-Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The SILC has participated as an exhibitor this year in the Power Up conference and the MRA conference so far. This has been a good method of outreach to educate attendees on the SILC, IL program and the CILs. The SILC has a new banner and table runner for the exhibit tables. Chris discussed the option of purchasing items to use as giveaways with the SILC logo. This topic will be tabled for the committee to discuss further.

Outreach Committee – Gloria Boyer

Gloria is still recruiting people to join the Outreach committee.

There was discussion on different outreach resources in the centers.

Emergency Management Committee – Pat Chambers

The committee met June 19 to discuss the FAST model that Missouri has adopted because of the federal ruling that there cannot be discrimination of populations with special needs. The state has finished the curriculum on the FAST training and two trainings have been held so far.

The SILC Emergency Management committee is asking CILs to contact their local emergency response organizations and train them on disability issues.

Pat asked CILs to update their FNS contacts with the counties, cities, and state. SEMA keeps a database on all participating individuals.

Housing Committee – Nancy Pope

Nancy was not at the meeting to give the report. Katheryne Staeger-Wilson gave an update on housing activities. Katheryne was a facilitator for the Springfield city ordinance on Universal Design in housing. Katheryne asked if SILC funds could be used to further educate Springfield city officials on UD housing topics. A suggestion was made to have the committee discuss this issue and bring back any recommendations to the council.

SPIL Compliance Committee – Chris Camene

The committee met by conference call to discuss the IL outcomes survey. There were a few minor changes and the link has been sent out to the centers.

The statewide needs assessment link has been sent out to the centers. It is also available on the SILC website.

The quarterly SPIL goals report has been changed to an online survey and that is going well.

The next SPIL planning process will start in January 2015.

Training Committee – Joseph Matovu

Joseph Matovu, Pat Chambers, and Tammy McSorley made a site visit on June 5 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Columbia. This will be the location for the next IL Summit.

Joseph will be recruiting members for the IL summit planning committee and a meeting will be held very soon to start the process.

Youth Transition/Employment Committee – Tina Vinson

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

The Executive committee had discussed the Gary Moll scholarship. The committee recommends continuing this scholarship next year as two \$1000 scholarships. Pat Chambers made a motion to approve the recommendation. Gloria Boyer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The Executive committee recommends having an exhibit table at the Real Voices/Real Choices conference in August. Pat Chambers made a motion to accept this recommendation. Debbie Peabody seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Chris Camene discussed having presentations at the SILC meetings to discuss relevant IL topics.

Gary Maddox indicated he had applied for appointment to the SILC. Gary would be eligible to represent the CILs on the SILC.

Open Forum

Gina Gray from DCAI expressed an interest in applying to be on the SILC.

Adjourn

Debbie Peabody made a motion to adjourn. Gloria Boyer seconded the motion. The council approved the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting will be on August 15, 2014 in Kansas City, MO.