**Robert Honan Gary Copeland**

**SILC Chairperson SILC Vice-Chairperson**

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**SILC Quarterly Meeting**

**August 09, 2019**

**Location: Holiday Inn & Suites Jefferson City – Magnolia Room 2**

1590 Jefferson Street, Jefferson City, MO, 65101 United States

Call to order and Introductions Rob Honan

Members Present:

Rob Honan

Lon Swearingen

Karen Gridley

Ellie Stitzer

Tec Chapman

Will Vick

Donna Borgmeyer

Kelly Cook

Kelly Flaugher

Elizabeth Smith

Shawn de Loyola

Medicaid Reform Collaboration Colleen Starkloff

Ms. Starkloff updated the SILC and audience with information regarding the McKinsey report commissioned the state of Missouri. The recommendations for Medicaid reforms were forwarded to the Department of Social Services. Ms. Starkloff stated she has a meeting with Todd Richardson, Medicaid Director, on August 15th at 4:15 PM to discuss work incentives and how to allow people with disabilities to work while retaining Medicaid eligibility. Ms. Starkloff invited attendees to participate and requested they contact her if they would be available. Ms. Starkloff provided her email and phone contact information.

Review of May 2019 Meeting Minutes Karen Gridley

Motion: Gary Copeland

2nd: Lon Swearingen

Motion Approved

Chairman’s Report Rob Honan

Rob reported next year is a State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) year. The plan will be developed and submitted to ACL by July 1, 2020. CILs and other agencies responsible to people with disabilities are encouraged to participate.

Rob also stated the SILC is coming to the end of the contract year with Vocational Rehabilitation. This is the 2nd year of our contact. Updated contract for FY2020 is being finalized.

Rob reported there are 3 possible new members, but we are waiting for the Governor’s office to officially appoint the members.

Treasurer’s Report Adonis Brown

Motion: Lon Swearingen

2nd: Gary Copeland

Motion passed

Executive Director’s Report Adonis Brown

See Attached

Visitor(s) Comments/Presentation

Medical Marijuana Erica Ziegler, DHSS

Ms. Ziegler reported on the development of the medical marijuana program in Missouri after the vote in 2018 to legalize medical marijuana in Missouri. Information was provided regarding how to apply to use medical marijuana and how to appeal a denial. At this time, approximately 6200 applications for medical marijuana use have been received.

Federal Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Statement Audit Graves & Associates

Lynn Graves

Motion to accept report: Gary Copeland

2nd: Donna Borgmeyer

Motion Approved

Ms. Graves explained this is the first audit for the SILC since becoming an autonomous entity. There was a delay in completing the audit simply because it was the first one. There were no major concerns noted and the report is available for review.

DSE Report Kelly Flaugher

Kelly Cook

Elizabeth Smith

Tim Gaines

Ms. Flaugher reported Mark Shultz has been confirmed as Commissioner of the Rehab Services Administration. Ms Flaugher also reported the State FY2020 started in July and they are working on their budget request for State FY 2021.

Ms. Cook introduced Elizabeth Smith as her replacement due to impending retirement. Ms. Cook also updated the council on numbers of consumers served by VR employment services and that VR is trying to wrap up year end reporting and will be working with CILs to obtain information needed for the reports. Ms. Cook also reported on a pilot project at the CILs in Kansas City and Springfield for Peer Mentoring.

Mr. Gaines stated he had visited centers across the state and had enjoyed meeting staff.

RSB Report Kathryn Cawdron

No Report

DHSS Report Karen Gridley

Ms. Gridley reiterated the importance of the McKinsey report and its impact on people with disabilities.

NCIL Report Kendra Burgess

Ms. Burgess reported on the advocacy effort by the National Council on Independent Living (NCIL) around the Disability Integration Act (DIA). Ms. Burgess had also attended the annual NCIL conference in Washington DC and was able to speak with legislators regarding the DIA.

APRIL Report Adonis Brown

Mr. Brown reported the APRIL conference will be held in October in Grand Rapids, MI. He will attend.

SRC Report Kelly Flaugher

Ms. Flaugher reported the State Rehab Council met the week prior to the SILC meeting and will meet again in November prior to the SILC meeting. She also reported new members had been appointed since their last meeting.

RSB Advisory Council Report Donna Borgmeyer

Ms. Borgmeyer reported the Rehab Services for the Blind met in St. Louis the week prior to the SILC meeting. RSB is partnering with VR and Workforce Development on a customized employment training called Employment First. Next meeting with be in November in Cape Girardeau.

GCD Report Yvonne Wright Claudia Browner

Ms. Browner reported there were 3 new appointments to the Governor’s Council on Disabilities since the last meeting, for a total of 17 council members. Their next meeting is August 23, 2019. They will be voting on their new strategic plan to cover 2020-2022. There will also be a presentation on the Missouri Youth Leadership Forum (MYLF). The council is also working with new members to develop a training for state employees about disability awareness and etiquette training. Training will also be provided to House staff.

Next year will be the 30th anniversary of the ADA and the council has spoke with the MOCIL group to see if an event to celebrate the anniversary can be planned. The GCD will be moving soon to a different floor in the Truman Building.

Ms. Rackers reported on the 17th Annual MOYLF. Approximately 30 youth attended the training. Over 344 alumni have attended this training with over 70 counties and the City of St. Louis have been represented, but over half of the counties have not been represented. Sixteen alumni returned in a staff or mentor role. One highlight was the Legislative Day, which allowed participants to interact with legislators. The participants also had a community service project in Columbia called Rainbow House.

DD Council. ‘Chaz’ Nickolaus

Mr. Nickolaus reported the DD Council just finished their Statewide Transportation Summit

on August 1. Will continue to work with the transportation task force that is being put

together. Next meeting for that task force will be October 10. DD Council continues to work with DMH, RSB and VR to provide better understanding of public benefits. DD Council has signed an MOU with the state treasurer’s office to continue to promote ABLE accounts. A project centered around voting education has been established and will continue to promote accessibility.

MO APSE 'Chaz' Nickolaus

Mr. Nickolaus reported that APSE just concluded their national conference. MO APSE, MACDDS and DD Council are working to produce informational videos about the value of work.

MOCIL Rob Honan

Mr. Honan reported the annual MOCIL meeting will be September 15-17 in Columbia.

MO Housing- E. Wayne Crawford

Mr. Crawford reported MO Housing is working with DMH regarding technology festivals across MO. Over 150 people attended the event last week in Columbia. MO DD Council has asked MO Housing to look into issues regarding disability housing discrimination in communities in MO.

Money Follows the Person (MFP)-Shawn Brice

Mr. Brice reported the findings about MFP in the McKinsey report. One of the items Todd Richardson has mentioned about starting is a targeted housing voucher for MFP recipients. Mr. Brice is following legislation about funding for MFP.

**Committee Reports**

Executive-Rob Honan

Committee met in July. Discussion was mainly about Adonis’s contract. More will be discussed during closed session.

Finance-Rob Honan

Financial report was given earlier in the meeting, along with audit report. Committee has not been meeting regularly.

System Advocacy/Legislative-Kendra Burgess

Ms. Burgess stated the MOCIL legislative group met and discussed legislative priorities. These include restoring cuts from IL funding, restoring cost cap for CDS to 100%, a moratorium on CDS providers and a HCBS rate increase of 7%. Other possible priorities include, Ticket to Work, statewide affordable housing, transportation, funding for the NME program and to oppose managed care.

Emergency Preparedness-Gary Copeland

No Report

Outreach TBA

No Report

Housing-Adonis Brown

Housing committee met 3 times in July, but no other information was given.

SPIL Compliance/Consumer Satisfaction-Adonis Brown

Reports are slowly coming in. Discussion was had regarding expanding the SPIL for the next SPIL years.

Youth Transition-Donna Borgmeyer

Discussion was had on how to increase participation for the Gary Moll Scholarship.

Governance-Rob Honan

No Report

**Old Business**:

2019 Gary Moll Memorial Scholarship Recipients – Introductions of recipients and award of scholarships. Recipients: Tyler Moore and Emily Oswald

Motion to move to Closed Session

Motion: Gary Copeland

2nd: Will Vick

Motion Passed and Session was closed

Session was re-opened

**New Business**

FFY2020 DSE (MOVR) MOSILC Contract and Budget

Will be developed and approved during a phone call later in the month

MOSILC Signed-on to National Support of the “Disability Integration Act (S.117, H.R.555)” Motion: Gary Copeland

2nd: Will Vick

Motion Passed

Nomination and Vote on FFY2020 Officers

Chair – Karen Gridley

Vice-Chair – Gary Copeland

Secretary – Donna Borgmeyer

Treasurer – Rob Honan

Motion to elect slate of officers during a phone call between this meeting and November 2019: Karen Gridley

2nd: Gary Copeland

Motion Approved

**Adjournment**

Motion: Will Vick

2nd: Lon Swearingen

Motion Approved