



Missouri Statewide Independent Living Council (MOSILC)

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MO SILC Meeting
5/10/19
Providence Bank, Jefferson City MO

Call to order: 10 AM

Attendees:

- Rob Honan, Chair
- Gary Copeland, Vice-Chair
- Joseph Matovu, Treasurer
- Karen Gridley, Secretary
- Adonis Brown, Executive Director
- Lon Swearingen
- Will Vick
- Kelly Flaughter
- Donna Borgmeyer
- Kathryn Cawdron
- Katie (last name unknown) (RSB)

Approval of Agenda

- Motion: Gary Copeland
- 2nd: Will Vick
- Agenda Approved

Approval of Minutes

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- Minutes Approved

Chair Report – Rob Honan

Adonis is working on administrative items – audit has been scheduled. ILRU provided training yesterday to SILC board regarding administration. Need more input from people (not CILS or SILC members) for SPIL. Need more SILC members was discussed.

Treasurer Report – Joseph Matovu

See Attached. Profit and Loss statement is attached as well. Audit will be presented at August meeting.

ED Report – Adonis Brown

See Attached. From PowerUP conference, \$450 was raised for Gary Moll Scholarship fund. Deadline for scholarship is June 28, 2019.

Visitor Comments/Presentations – none noted

MO Treasurer's Office – ABLE accounts Update – David Pearce

If employed – contributions are allowed up to \$27,140 per year. Beneficiary's own wages still count as income even if contributed to an ABLE account. Account goes through normal probate process. Medicaid can only ask for money from date open account was opened. Medicaid is creditor to estate. Funeral expenses are paid first, then Medicaid. There are 1013 account holders in Missouri. The ABLE Board serves as a Governor appointment on recommendations from State Treasurer. Role of board is support legislation and to arrange legislation regarding conservatorship, approval of fees, marketing, etc. Governor's office appointed spot is vacant. Appointment must be Senate confirmed.

DSE Report – Kelly Cook and Kelly Flaughter

VR - Since April 2018 – categories have waiting lists. All have now been removed from waiting lists.

- 5220 moved into active status.
- 156 people back on waiting list since April 2019.

Summer activities for youth and students/summer work experiences.

- 213 work sites across the state.
- Possible more than one experience at each site.
- DESE transition training institute on June 18-20 in Columbia.
- For more info, ask Kelly (staff training).

Summer PRE-ETS

- 9 centers signed up to present this.
- VR Director Tim Gaines is present.
- He is working to visit all centers.

WINTEC – technical assistance program regarding peer mentoring.

- Project idea – student/youth in foster care and youth/student involved in justice programs.
- Two Centers (The Whole Person and Springfield) are participating with this project.

Independent Living – working with SILC and ACL regarding questions about 704 report.

- 704 accepted and approved by ACL.
- IL Grants are due today.
- Onsite, telephone, and remote monitoring visits are ongoing.
- New staff has been added.

Kelly Flaughter – budget increase of \$500K is added to the state budget and is on the way to governor.

Rehabilitation Services for the Blind Report – Kathryn Cawdron

- New case management system is in place and staff is training. Transition employment experiences are in place since the end of the year and are ready for student placement.
- Upcoming – beat ball clinic in Jefferson City. Equipment has been provided. Flyer will be sent.
- RSB hosting conference call with Wolfner Library on July 9 regarding information about RSB for library patrons.

DHSS Report – Venice Wood/Karen Gridley

New Assessment tool and rate increase for Home and Community Based Services (1.5%) starting state fiscal year 2020 (July 1, 2019)

MO Business Acumen Learning Collaborative – Wendy Witcig, MO-DMH (emailed report read by Rob Honan)

See Email

NCIL Report – TBA

Annual conference July 22-25.

APRIL Report – TBA

Annual conference in Grand Rapids MI. Oct 25 - 28

SRC Report – Joseph Matovu

Kelly Cook – reiterated information from VR report

RSB Advisory Council Report- Donna Borgmeyer

State is model employer and this program being in February this year. Contract for customized employment has been signed and staff will receive training on program this summer. Staff will also participate in regional leadership training this summer. Grants have not changed this year and are stable. Director and RSB liaison are working to get appointments to council. Four are waiting for re-appointment and then work on appointing new council members. Will work on deciding who will be renewed and who won't.

Governor's Council on Disability Report – Yvonne Wright/Claudia Browner

GCD meeting last week – ABLE account presentation. Board and Commissions director is working on 3 new members and will look at reappointments. Staff is working on a Disability Etiquette and Awareness with Paraquad to present to the Office of Administration. Legislative Education Project is completed for the year with 4 presentations. There have been 54 applications for Youth Leadership Forum. Thirty were accepted with a wait list of 7. Claudia working to visit all centers for independent living and she has been to 4.

DD Council – Vicky Davidson

No report

MO APSE – Chaz Nickolaus

No report

MOCIL – Pat Chambers

- 15 of 22 centers for independent living are members of MOCIL.
- Money follows the Person – CILs are getting proposals together for May 29 deadline for MFP.
- Statistics given for CDS program regarding number of providers and information regarding CDS QA program.
- Working on IL Summit next August or September 2020. Annual meeting is in September.
- Possibly the LOC will revert to 18 from 24.
- Adonis reports 5 or 6 short of getting enough CILs to approve the updated SPIL.

MO Housing – E. Wayne Crawford

Tech Fest – MO is a tech first state. Monday in StL, done in Springfield, will be in KC, Warrensburg. Info on website. (www.mohousing.com) Other states are observing MO to find out how they deal with fair housing. IL/MO peer exchange meeting – self-advocates/staff/family members discussing to join effort. Working with MD to establish the same.

MFP – Shawn Brice

- There were 210 transitions for 2018, but transitions are down for the first quarter of the calendar year 2019.
- There has been an extension to spend funds until September 30.
- Federal government has approved \$132M to participating MFP states but unsure what MO will get from this money. MFP will be able to transition consumers through FFY2020 (October 1, 2019).
- Possible 5-year extension bill pending in DC.
- Request for proposal out for transitions and options counseling.
- Next Tuesday is meeting in Jeff City to go over RFP.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive – Rob Honan

Met on April 15. Discussion on Part B and SPIL amendment and budgetary issues.

Finance – Joseph Matovu

No Report

Legislative/System Advocacy – Karen Gridley/Jennifer Gundy

No Report as everything had been covered previously.

HB101 – low income hearing aid bill. Possibly will pass this session. Earmarks \$100K for this program.

Emergency Preparedness – Gary Copeland

No Report

Outreach – William Vick

No Report

Housing – Joseph Matovu

No Report

SPIL Compliance/Consumer Satisfaction – Ellie Stitzer/Chris Camene

Report by Adonis – reviewing the 3 surveys available on website. More emphasis on SPIL survey to get centers to complete the SPIL survey. Adonis will work on harvesting data from the surveys. No one has put in any SPIL information as of this date.

Youth Transition – Donna Borgmeyer

Reminder regarding Gary Moll Scholarship deadline. Selection will be made after deadline. New members have been added to scholarship committee.

Governance – Rob Honan

No Report

Old Business: Gary Moll Scholarship applications close June 28, 2019. Recipients will be announced prior to August 2019 Council Meeting

New Business: Next MOSILC Quarterly Meeting: August 9, 2019
Council Members signed Conflict of Interest statements.

Rob Honan, chair, moved to closed session pursuant to subsection (1) of Section 610.021, RSMo at 12:25 pm

Moved back to open session 12:30 pm

Motion to adjourn:

- Motion: Will Vick
- 2nd: Gary Copeland
- Motion Passed