

Minutes

Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, September 27, 2006

4:00 – 5:30

Radisson Airport Hotel

2081 Post Road

Warwick, RI 02886

Members Present: Ray Bandusky; Karen Bell; Terrance Chapman; Judith Kapuscinski, 1st Vice Chair; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul, Treasurer; Ken Sacks; Heidi Showstead, Chair Leadership Development & Advocacy Committee, Joe Thibault

Staff Present: Linda Hutnak, Program Support; Camille Pansa, Executive Director

Guests: Charlotte Becher, Executive Director – The Point

1. Introductions: Judith Kapuscinski welcomed Council members to the 2006 annual meeting.

2. Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of July 14, 2006: Minutes were reviewed. Tricia Whitehouse motioned to accept the minutes. Karen Bell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Liability Insurance: Camille Pansa confirmed that the Director and Officer's liability insurance is in effect.

4. Interest Disclosure Statement: Judith Kapuscinski explained the Interest Disclosure Statement to Council members and requested that everyone read, sign and return the form to Camille.

5. Training and Technical Assistance Needs: Camille asked that all Council members review and complete the Training and Technical Assistance Needs survey in their packets and return it to her.

6. Committee Reports:

 Finance/Resource Committee: Budget revision reviewed. Surplus of \$6300.00 moved to next year. Tricia Whitehouse motioned to accept the revision. Ray Bandusky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

 LD&A Report: Heidi Showstead asked for questions regarding the report. There were none.

 State Plan/Monitoring Ad Hoc Committee: Judith discussed the recent SPIL planning committee meeting. The next SPIL meeting will be held on January 12, 2007. Members were encouraged to participate.

Camille reminded the Council members that the following meetings have been scheduled for preparation of the 704 report: October 13, 2006 at 1:00pm and October 27, 2006 at 2:30pm.

 Membership Nomination Committee: Tricia Whitehouse reported those members requiring renomination:

- Ray Bandusky
- Donald Phelps
- Sharon Kimbriel
- Barbara Rozul
- Heidi Showstead
- Joseph Thibault

Terrance Chapman motioned to recommend the six Council members to the Governor for reappointment. Judith Kapuscinski seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

 Four volunteers are requesting appointment to the Council:

- Tanja Blicher
- Elizabeth Graves

- **Mansfield Lyon**
- **Marika Terlecky**

Heidi Showstead moved to recommend thee four volunteer to the Governor for appointment to the Council. Terrance Chapman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

 Tricia read aloud the nominees for Council Offices.

- **Chairperson: Donald Phelps**
- **1st Vice Chair: Judith Kapuscinski**
- **2nd Vice Chair: Sharon Kimbriel**
- **Secretary: Elizabeth Graves**
- **Treasurer: Barbara Rozul**

The slate was uncontested. Heidi Showstead motioned to accept the slate of officers. Karen Bell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Executive Director's Report: Camille discussed involvement of the SILC in the Disability Vote Project. Camille reported a productive meeting with James Deboa regarding possible RISILC participation in the RI Disability Vote Project. Following the meeting, Camille reported that she believes RISILC will participate in multiple ways with this project. Ken Sacks believes involvement of the SILC with voting is essential and that the members must make legislators aware of their power as a voting block. Ray Bandusky discussed the auto mark system and its lack of availability in the primary elections. Tricia Whitehouse recommended we contact the Town Clerk in each municipality regarding the need for working auto marks in each polling place along with poll workers trained in its use. Both Ken and Ray recommended a letter stating that be sent to the Board of Elections, The Secretary of State, the Town/City Clerks and the Governor.

8. Chairperson's Report: None

9. New Business: Camille Pansa introduced Governor Carcieri. He addressed the Council reaffirming his support of RISILC's efforts. Charlotte Becher, Executive Director of The Point was the educational presenter.

Minutes taken: L. Hutnak