

MINUTES

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Wednesday

September 24, 2008

3:15-4:30 PM

Radisson Airport Hotel

2081 Post Road, Warwick, R.I.

Members present: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa, Secretary; Liz Graves, 1st Vice-Chair; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps, Council Chair; C. Anthony Pierre; Ron Racine; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul, Treasurer; Susan Shepardson; Heidi Showstead, 2nd Vice-Chair; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse.

Volunteer: Christina Battista; Kristen Connors; Alston Davis; Margarita Grome.

Staff: Camille Pansa, Executive Director.

Guests: Leo Canuel (PARI); Laurie Diorio (ORS/SBVI).

Interpreter: Dona Lombardi; Madeline Auger.

1. Introductions: Don Phelps welcomed Council Members to the annual meeting. Self introductions were made.

2. Minutes of quarterly Council meeting of June 20, 2008: previously sent. A motion was made by Lorna Ricci to accept the minutes and seconded by Liz Graves. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray

Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none.

3. Liability insurance: Camille Pansa confirmed that the Directors' and Officers' liability insurance is in effect.

4. Interest disclosure statement: New Council Members were asked to complete the statement and existing Council Members were asked to submit any changes. All forms should be returned by October 3, 2008.

5. Meeting dates for writing 704 Part I Report for FFY 2008: The projected dates are October 8th and 22nd, November 5th and 19th. All meetings will be held from 12:30-2:30pm.

6. Committee Reports:

Finance/Resource Committee: previously sent. A motion was made by Lorna Ricci to accept the report seconded by Heidi Showstead. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none.

Leadership Development and Advocacy Committee: previously sent. A motion was made by Heidi Showstead to accept the report seconded by Barbara Rozul. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse.

Against: none.

Transportation Position Paper: tabled.

State Plan/Monitoring Committee: The 3rd Quarter SPIL and Corporate Work Plans were previously sent. Heidi Showstead said the SPIL report should reflect that Council Members attended other Governor's Council on Disabilities (GCD) public forums and that she will also be reviewing testimony given. Lorna Ricci and Leo Canuel presented their respective reports. Reports attached. Lorna reviewed OSCIL's Home Access Program and the Home Modification Program with an overview of the year's progress. Leo reported on PARI Home Modification Program. The two CILs combined completed 11 home modifications.

Membership/Nominating Sub-committee:

Nomination of Council Members' reappointments:

Tricia Whitehouse nominated Rick Costa, C. Anthony Pierre, Ron Racine, Lorna Ricci, and Mary Wambach for reappointments seconded by Liz Graves. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse.

Against: none.

Nomination of New Council Members:

Tricia Whitehouse presented Kristen Connors as a candidate for membership seconded by Heidi Showstead. Biographical information was previously sent. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna

Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. Tricia Whitehouse presented Margarita Grome as a candidate for membership seconded by Lorna Ricci. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none.

Tricia Whitehouse presented Silvermoon Mars as a candidate for membership seconded by Don Phelps. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. New Council Members are Kristen Connors, Margarita Grome, and Silvermoon Mars.

Nomination of Officers: Tricia Whitehouse asked three times for nominations from the floor for each officer position. Tricia Whitehouse presented Liz Graves as Chairperson seconded by Don Phelps. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. Abstention: Liz Graves. Tricia Whitehouse presented Don Phelps as 1st Vice-Chair seconded by Terrance Chapman. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi

Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. Abstention: Don Phelps. Tricia Whitehouse presented Heidi Showstead as 2nd Vice-Chair seconded by Don Phelps. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. Abstention: Heidi Showstead.

Tricia Whitehouse presented Barbara Rozul as Secretary seconded by Lorna Ricci. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. Tricia Whitehouse presented Rick Costa as Treasurer seconded by Heidi Showstead. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse. Against: none. New officers for FFY 2009 are Liz Graves, Chairperson; Don Phelps, 1st Vice-Chair; Heidi Showstead, 2nd Vice-Chair; Barbara Rozul, Secretary; Rick Costa, Treasurer.

7. Executive Director's Report: previously sent. Camille Pansa thanked everyone for their hard work and cooperation and noted that many accomplishments were made in FFY 2008.

A motion was made by Heidi Showstead to accept the report as read seconded by Tricia Whitehouse. The vote passed unanimously. For: Ray Bandusky; Terrance Chapman; Rick Costa; Liz Graves; Anna

**Liebenow; Donald Phelps; C. Anthony Pierre; Lorna Ricci; Barbara Rozul; Heidi Showstead; Mary Wambach; Tricia Whitehouse.
Against: none.**

8. Chairperson's report: Don Phelps stated he considered it a privilege to work with the Council and that such good people were hard to find. He said it was an honor to serve as Council Chair and very fulfilling. Don told members that the Council's Mentoring/Orientation Program had received national recognition from ILRU. He thanked Camille Pansa for her design and implementation of the program.

9. New Business: none.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Costa

Secretary