

MINUTES

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING / ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Monday, September 21, 2012

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Radisson Airport Hotel

2081 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886

Members present: Alicia Babcock; Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Madeline Colon; Rick Costa, Council Chairperson; Vinny DeJesus; Laurie DiOrio (DSU); Karen Dougherty; Liz Graves; Kathy Kindelan; Margaret Molloy; Don Phelps; Lorna Ricci; Jack Ringland.

Volunteers: Siera Leone; Barbara Ringland.

Guests: Jean Cavanaugh; Barney Hughes; Susan Olson; Jeff Oraginian.

Staff: Camille Pansa, Administrator; Lisel Rockwood, Assistant to the Administrator.

Interpreters: Carol Fay; Dorothy Hodge.

1. Introductions: Rick Costa welcomed Council members and guests to the annual meeting. Self introductions were made.

2. Minutes of quarterly Council meeting of June 19, 2013: previously sent. A motion was made by Liz Graves and seconded by Kathy Kindelan to accept the minutes as written. The vote passed unanimously. For: Alicia Babcock; Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Madeline Colon; Rick Costa; Vinny DeJesus; Karen Dougherty; Liz Graves; Kathy Kindelan; Margaret Molloy; Don Phelps; Lorna Ricci;

Jack Ringland. Against: none.

3. Liability insurance: Camille Pansa stated 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.

5. Meeting dates for writing 704 Part 1 Report for FFY 2012: The State Plan Committee will meet on Friday, October 18th from 10 a.m. – 12:00 Noon at the RISILC Office to discuss the report and assign sections.

6. Committee reports

Finance/Resource Committee: distributed. Madeline Colon stated that new members were needed for the committee.

Needs Assessment Committee: distributed. Margaret Molloy reported that the NAC continues to attend events and that the committee was working on revising the survey.

State Plan/Monitoring Committee: Liz Graves reported how the information and training she received at the SILC Congress was instrumental in the writing of the new State Plan. She thanked the committee and also the NAC for their hard work. Liz recognized Leo Canuel for his part in constructing the wording. She stated that the upcoming SILC Congress would focus on the development of effective evaluation methods and how to transfer the records into the 704 Report. The State Plan Committee will meet a minimum of four times a year to assess the progress toward SPIL goals and make

adjustments if needed. It was noted that the State Plan FY 2014-6 on the RISILC website is still considered a draft until final approval was received from RSA.

Centers' report: Lorna Ricci reported that OSCIL had hired a transition person for the nursing home and youth transition programs. She stated that OSCIL had completed 10 nursing home transitions this year and many home modifications were in progress. She explained the arduous and often time consuming process of transitioning consumers back into the community with a 95% success rate. She stated that OSCIL received a decrease of \$34K in funding due to sequestration and added that OSCIL continues to apply for and receive grant money.

Membership/Nominating Sub-committee:

Nomination of Council Members' reappointments:

Jack Ringland introduced Leo Canuel, Madeline Colon, Don Phelps, and Jack Ringland for Council Member reappointment. A motion was made by Kathy Kindelan and seconded by Vinny DeJesus to nominate all four members to a second term. The vote passed unanimously. For: Alicia Babcock; Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Madeline Colon; Rick Costa; Vinny DeJesus; Karen Dougherty; Liz Graves; Kathy Kindelan; Margaret Molloy; Don Phelps; Lorna Ricci; Jack Ringland. Against: none.

Jack Ringland introduced Siera Leone and Barbara Ringland for first term Council appointments. A motion was made by Madeline Colon and seconded by Kathy Kindelan to nominate Siera and Barbara to first term members to the Council.

The vote passed unanimously. For: Alicia Babcock; Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Madeline Colon; Rick Costa; Vinny DeJesus; Karen Dougherty; Liz Graves; Kathy Kindelan; Margaret Molloy; Don Phelps; Lorna Ricci; Jack Ringland. Against: none.

Nomination of Officers: Jack Ringland presented the slate of officers as follows; Chairperson, Rick Costa; 1st Vice Chairperson, Jack Ringland; 2nd Vice Chairperson, Vincent DeJesus; Secretary, Liz Graves; Treasurer, Madeline Colon. Jack asked for nominations from the floor three consecutive times for each position. There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Kathy Kindelan and seconded by Christina Battista to cast one ballot for the slate of officers as presented. The vote passed unanimously. For: Alicia Babcock; Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Madeline Colon; Rick Costa; Vinny DeJesus; Karen Dougherty; Liz Graves; Kathy Kindelan; Margaret Molloy; Don Phelps; Lorna Ricci; Jack Ringland. Against: none

7. Chairperson's Report: distributed. Read aloud. Rick Costa stated he was proud and honored to serve as Chair and get to know each one of the members. He thanked everyone for their service to the Council. Camille Pansa thanked Rick for his leadership and stated that the State Plan was the best plan she has seen in all her years with the Council. She stated that it was a collaborative effort with ORS and the Centers and everyone was heading in the same direction. She thanked Liz Graves for spearheading the committee and all Council members for their hard work.

8. New Business: Liz Graves spoke about her recent trip to Alaska

and how their delivery system of IL services compared to Rhode Island. She also spoke about the native population and cultural barriers of Alaskan people and how important it was for each state to individualize their State Plan and programs. She stated that she was pleased with the accessibility of the State and that museums provided wheelchairs free of charge.

9. **Help and Hope Award:** Rick Costa presented the award to Leo Canuel. Accepting the award in his absence was Jean Cavanaugh, PARI Staff Member, and Susan Olson, PARI Board President.

Jack Ringland
Secretary