



*Rhode Island Statewide  
Independent Living Council  
"Together, Making a Difference"*

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**Quarterly Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 18, 2015**  
**1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. OSCIL**

**Members Present:** Ray Bandusky; Christina Battista; Laurie DiOrio, DSU Representative; Barbara Henry; Siera Leone, Secretary; Margaret Molloy; Vice Chair, NAC Chair; Lorna Ricci, CIL Representative; Barbara Ringland; Jack Ringland, Chair.

**Members Excused:** Kathy Kindelan, Treasurer.

**Members Absent:** Karen Dougherty, Barney Hughes.

**Prospective Members:** Pat Stein; Gary Witman.

**Staff:** Rick Costa, Executive Coordinator; Lisel Rockwood, Assistant to the Executive Coordinator.

**Interpreter:** Dorothy Hodge.

- 1. Meeting called to order at 1:08 p.m. Quorum was present.** Chair, Jack Ringland, welcomed everyone, self-introductions were made, and meeting etiquette reviewed.
- 2. Old Business:**
  - State Plan Amendment Status:** Chair explained the change in the SILC Resource funding from I & E funds to Part B funds. Laurie DiOrio explained that due to PARI closing and OSCIL now receiving all of the Part C funds, the DSU decided to fund the SILC with the excess Part B funds so the I & E funds could be utilized by the ORS. It was noted that the SILC was not involved in this decision. Changes were also made to the State Plan. Laurie stated that she was instructed by RSA to make the changes to the State Plan. It was unclear as to why amendments were made without the knowledge and authorization of the SILC and why the standard protocol for amendments was not completed.
  - DSU Monitoring Report:** Final copy distributed. The findings will be discussed by the Ad Hoc Policy and Procedures Committee.
  - Jack's Travel Expenses:** Jack Ringland requested the item be tabled until Kathy Kindelan was present to review the expenses.
- 3. Consent Agenda:** Minutes of January 21, 2015, Reports, Purchase Approvals: Computer, Open House, NCIL, Ride Survey mailing were previously sent. The Financial Report FY 2015 was removed from the consent agenda. Chair stated that using a Consent Agenda would allow for additional time to discuss more important matters. Christina Battista requested that the minutes reflect that she had submitted her SRC report as requested but, since it was her first time writing a report, edits were

needed. She acknowledged that she had not resend a revised report. Chair stated that he had completed his GCD report which would be emailed. A motion was made by Barbara Henry to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Chair noted that the items listed in the financial approvals were accounted for in the budget. He stated that going further only items that were in excess of the budgeted amount would need Council approval.

- 4. Council Nominations:** Prospective Council members Pat Stein and Gary Witman left the room while the Chair presented them for consideration. Barbara Henry made a motion to recommend Gary Witman and Pat Stein for Council membership. Motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Their names will be submitted to the Governor's Office to request official appointment. Membership training was discussed and the Executive Coordinator was asked to email the new training manual to all Council members.
- 5. Council Goals and Objectives:** Work Plans previously sent will be reviewed by the State Plan Committee.
- 6. Review/establish Committees:**
  - State Plan Committee will meet on April 10, 1-3pm at OSCIL.
  - Margie Molloy will continue to Chair the Needs Assessment Committee.
  - Barbara Henry and Gary Witman will work together to establish a date for the Advocacy Committee. The time will be from 5 – 7 p.m. to attract potential Council members that cannot attend daytime meetings.
  - Committee descriptions will be emailed to all Council members so they can chose which committee(s) they are interested in joining; no Ad Hoc committees were established. It was also suggested to send committee descriptions to community members.
- 7. Educational Presentation:** no time was available for the presentation; information was available.

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.**

**Siera Leone**  
**Secretary**