



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

**State Plan Development Committee
& Governor's Commission on Disabilities (GCD) Executive Board**
March 16, 2016
12 – 2 p.m.
OSCIL, 1944 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance: Ray Bandusky (CAP); Carmen Boucher (DOH); Christine Hammond (ORS); Barbara Henry; Margaret Molloy, Council Vice Chair; Lorna Ricci (OSCIL); Barbara Ringland; Jack Ringland, Council Chair.

SILC DSU: Laurie DiOrio (ORS); Ron Racine (ORS).

GCD Executive Board & Staff: Bob Cooper (Ex.Secretary); Rory Carmody; Judi Drew; Casey Gartland; Linda Ward.

Guest/Public: Tim Flynn (OSCIL); Helen Asimone (OSCIL).

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

Interpreters: Dorothy Hodge.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions:** Jack Ringland welcomed everyone. Self-introductions were made. Quorum present.
- 2. Review of Meeting Etiquette:** Margie Molloy reviewed meeting etiquette asking that only one person speak at a time to better facilitate the use of the ASL interpreter.
- 3. Introduce Rory Carmody, Vice Chair, GCD Executive Committee:** Jack Ringland turned the meeting over to Rory to facilitate the GCD meeting. Rory asked the current DSU to summarize their role. Laurie DiOrio and Ron Racine explained their function concerning the facilitation and fiscal monitoring of OSCIL's and SILC's Part B funding and their participation in the IL network. Laurie also explained the changes to the DSE's responsibilities in accordance with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).
- 4. GCD Proposal to become the Council's Designated State Entity (DSE): previously sent.** Bob Cooper, GCD Executive Secretary, reviewed the proposal inclusive of timeline and legal language necessary for this transition to come to fruition. Several categories of

proposed savings to the SILC were: supplies, office space and telephone, internet service, Property, Liability, and Directors Insurance, and mailing service.

5. GCD Proposal Question and Answer Period: Various questions were asked and discussed including logistics, insurance, Master Purchasing Agreement (MPA), and staff.

6. Closing Comments: Ray Bandusky and Lorna Ricci expressed their gratitude and appreciation to Bob Cooper for a transparent and thorough proposal.

7. GCD Executive Committee Vote: GCD Executive Board voted in favor to recommend to the full Commission that the GCD vote to become the DSE for the SILC.

After the GCD vote, a motion was made by Lorna Ricci for the State Plan Committee to recommend to the full Council that the GCD be considered as the new DSE. Motion was seconded and passed.

Upon review of the agenda, the Council had not listed their intent to vote on this issue, therefore the vote was redacted and will be placed on next week's agenda. Due to the timeline, the full Council's April 20th meeting was moved to April 4th at which time the Council will vote to approve the GCD as their DSE.

8. Adjournment