

Meeting Notice for the



Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council

"Together, Making a Difference"

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Ocean State Center for Independent Living
1944 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI 02889

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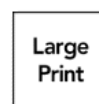
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Independent Living Council*
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Wednesday, October 19, 2016, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Council Meeting at OSCIL, 1944 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI 02889

Council Office: 41 Cherry Dale Court, Cranston, RI 02920

(401) 337.5888 Fax (401) 462.0106 website: <http://risilc.org/> <https://www.facebook.com/risilc>

Attendees: Margaret Molloy (Chair); Barbara Ringland (Vice-Chair); Anabela Azevedo (Treasurer); Ray Bandusky (RIDLC), Carmen Boucher (DOH) Jeanne Panarace, Lorna Ricci (OSCIL)

Absentees: none

Guests: Alyssa Gleason (GCD), Holly Paiva (GCD), Laurie DiOrio (ORS), Dorothy Hodge MSL, CI, CT, Nicole Reis, RPR (CART)

Welcome and Introductions

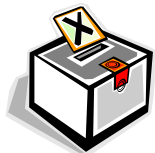
Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:20pm

Introductions of Councilors and guests

Approvals

Accept of the minutes of the previous meetings 08-17-16, 09-21-16, & 09-26-16

Discussion:



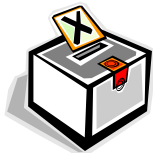
MOTION: To accept the minutes of the previous meetings 08-17-16, 09-21-16, & 09-26-16 as *presented*

Motion moved by LR, seconded by JP, *passed unanimously*

Adoption of the 2017 Schedule of Meetings of the Council & Committees

Statewide Independent Living Council Meets at the Ocean State Center for Independent Living, 1944 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI 02889	Time
Wednesday Feb 15, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday Apr 19, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday June 21, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday Aug 16, 2017	1-3 pm
Annual Meeting Wednesday Sept 27, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday Oct 18, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday Dec 13, 2017	1-3 pm

Executive Committee meets at the SILC/GCD Office, John O. Pastore Center, 41 Cherry Dale Court, Cranston, RI 02920-3049	Time
Wednesday January 11, 2017	1-4 pm
Wednesday February 1, 2017	1-4 pm
Wednesday March 8, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday April 5, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday May 10, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday June 7, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday August 2, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday September 13, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday October 4, 2017	1-3 pm
Wednesday November 29, 2017	1-3 pm
Thursday December 7, 2017	1-3 pm



Potential MOTION: To adopt the Council & Committee 2017 Schedule of Meetings *as presented*
 Motion moved by BR, seconded by JP
Passed unanimously

Amending the Council's Bylaws

How are the bylaws amended?

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section One. Notice. Members shall be notified in writing, or format requested, of a proposed amendment to the Bylaws consistent with Robert's rules of order.

Section Two. Vote. The Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the voting Members present at a duly noticed meeting at which a quorum is present.

Should the bylaws be changed to combine the Secretary and Treasurer positions into a Secretary/Treasurer?

The current bylaws reads:

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

Section Four. Secretary.

The Secretary or his/her designee shall keep the minutes of the Council, see that notices are duly given in accordance with these Bylaws or as required by law, maintain the membership roster and represent the SILC at the direction of the Council as necessary.

Section Five. Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall oversee the financial management of resource funds received by and distributed by the Council, oversee management and reporting of such funds, report to the Council the current financial status of the SILC; schedule and oversee an audit of SILC finances, participate in development of and monitor the Council's budget, and serve as Chair of the Finance Committee.

The proposed change would replace Sections 4 and 5 to read:

Section Four. Secretary/Treasurer.

The Secretary/Treasurer or his/her designee shall:

- (1) Keep the minutes of the Council, see that notices are duly given in accordance with these Bylaws or as required by law, maintain the membership roster and represent the SILC at the direction of the Council as necessary.
- (2) Oversee the financial management of resource funds received by and distributed by the Council, oversee management and reporting of such funds, report to the Council

the current financial status of the SILC; schedule and oversee an audit of SILC finances, participate in development of and monitor the Council's budget, and serve as Chair of the Finance Committee.

Section 5 would be deleted and the remaining sections would be renumbered.

Discussion:



MOTION: To adopt the proposed Amendment to the Council's Bylaws
as presented

Motion moved by LR, seconded by JP,
Passed unanimously

Costa et al. v. Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council

On Oct 7, 2016, at 4:29 PM, Maria Lenz <marialenz@riag.ri.gov> wrote:

Dear Mr. Ringland,

Our Office continues to investigate the Open Meetings Act complaint dated as amended October 5, 2015 against the Rhode Island Statewide Independent Living Council. The complainants are copied on this email.

With respect to the allegations relating to the "gatherings" of the "executive leadership" on July 8, 2015, August 5, 2015 and September 2, 2015, please provide me with the following information no later than **COB October 14, 2016**:

- 1) Whether any votes or actions were taken at any of those meetings; and
- 2) Whether there were any agendas or minutes created and/or posted for those respective meetings.

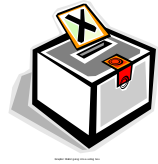
Please be advised that any other information relating to any other allegations outside the purview of this request will not be considered or accepted. Thank you.

Very Truly Yours,
Maria R. Lenz
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Tobacco Enforcement Counsel
Department of Attorney General
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MOTION: To direct the Executive Committee with assistance from the Department of Human Services and the Governor's Commission on Disabilities to respond to the October 7, 2016 email from Special Assistant Attorney General Lenz.

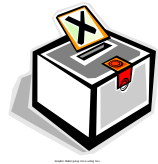
Motion moved by RB, seconded by LR , *passed / unanimously*

Recommendations to Fill Vacancies on the Council

Discussion: The Executive Committee recommends:

Nominating Christina Battista to a full three year term and

Asking Vincent DeJesus to withdraw his resignation and complete his term, expiring 10-01-17.



MOTION: To recommend the Governor appoint Christina Battista to the Council for a full three-year term and ask Vincent DeJesus to withdraw his wants to complete his term. *accepted*

Motion moved by LR, seconded by BR, *passed / unanimously*

Discussion: Christina is still a consumer and will count as 51%, and discussion to see if others will commit and attach email with future meeting dates.

Authorizing Expenses

Presented by

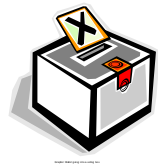
Discussion: Should the SILC Authorize:

Dry cleaning RI SILC table cover and repair side of RI SILC canopy and

Sending a representative to the Advocates in Action Conference - October 27 - \$45.

MOTION: To *authorize* the:

- Dry cleaning of the RI SILC Table Cover up to \$ undetermined
- Repairs to the RI SILC canopy up to \$ undetermined
- Advocates in Action Conference - October 27 \$45.



Motion: Tabled until there is \$ in the account

Discussion: To postpone the discussion until we are aware that there is money in the account. Also, to include in the next Agenda to go over the finances.

Submitting the Section 704 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Part 1 Report

Presented by

The 704 Part 1 Report is submitted annually (SILC report due Dec 31st). The SILC reports on the past federal fiscal year's Independent Living - State (IL) Program Grant:

Subpart I - Administrative Data

Subpart II - Number and Types of Individuals with Significant Disabilities Receiving Services

Subpart III - Individual Services and Achievements Funded through Title VII, Chapter 1, Part B Funds

Subpart IV - Community Activities and Coordination

Subpart V - Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)

Subpart VI - SPIL Comparison and Updates



MOTION: To *authorize* the Executive Committee with assistance from the Ocean State Center for Independent Living, Department of Human Services, and Governor's Commission on Disabilities to prepare and submit the 704 Part I report.

Motion moved by LR, seconded by AA, *passed / unanimously*

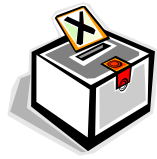
Reports

Chairperson's & Executive Committee's Reports

Presented by Margaret Molloy

Discussion:

MOTION: to table all further reports until the next meeting due to time constraints.



Motion moved by BR, seconded by LR, *passed / unanimously*

Motion to table the agenda items for the next meeting.

Adjournment



MOTION: To adjourn at 3:05pm

Motion moved by BR, seconded by LR, *passed / unanimously*