

MINUTES

STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

May 2, 2012 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

20 Nobert Street, Warren, RI 02885

Members Present: Rick Costa, Chairperson; Jack Ringland, Secretary; Heidi Showstead, 1st Vice Chair; Anna Liebenow, NAC Chair; Madeline Colon, Treasurer (speaker phone).

Staff Present: Lisel Rockwood, Assistant to the Administrator.

Absent: Kristen Connors, 2nd vice Chair; Liz Graves, State Plan Chair; Camille Pansa, Administrator,

1. Minutes of March 7, 2012: previously sent. Motion made by Heidi Showstead and seconded by Jack Ringland to accept the minutes as written. Vote passed unanimously.

2. Review of May and June calendar:

- May 2nd; Executive Committee**
- May 16th; Needs Assessment Committee**
- May 23rd; Finance Committee**
- June 6th; Executive Committee**
- June 13th; Needs Assessment Committee**
- June 20th; Quarterly meeting at PARI, 1:00 to 3:00 PM**
- June 25th; Mentoring Meeting from 1:00 to 2:30 PM**

3. Procedure/Guidelines for cost of conference attendance: After some discussion, a motion was made by Jack Ringland and

seconded by Heidi Showstead that this discussion be tabled until the Finance Committee meeting to come up with a guideline with Camille Pansa's input. Vote passed unanimously.

4. Review March Council meeting location/educational presentation: The discussion was focused on the poor presentation and lack of preparedness by the presenter.

5. June quarterly Council meeting/educational presentation: Rick Costa asked Heidi Showstead if she could contact someone from the Developmental Disabilities Council regarding a presentation at our June meeting on recreational opportunities for the disabled.

6. Annual meeting: The annual meeting will be held Monday, September 24th at the Radisson Hotel, Warwick RI from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. A lunch will be served. Left to be discussed is the Council recognition awards.

7. IL Conference: The conference has been cancelled. Council registration fee of \$400 has been refunded.

8. Mentoring/orientation for new members and volunteers: The first meeting was held April 30th. Three new volunteers participated. Heidi Showstead and Jack Ringland assisted Camille Pansa with the orientation. The next meeting will be on June 25th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

9. Finance report: Madeline Colon stated that the books are up to date, and the expenses and budget have been reviewed by the Finance Committee. The last meeting was held in January and the next meeting will be May 23, 2012 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

10. Chairperson's report: no report.

11. Needs Assessment Committee report: The success of the NAC booth at the RIPIN Conference was discussed. After some discussion about the non-accessible restrooms and the poorly marked curb transitions, it was decided to draft a letter to the Crowne Plaza Hotel and c/c RIPIN about the conditions. The letter will include how one member nearly tumbled off the curb because both

surfaces appeared to be one and how the rest rooms did not afford privacy as the designated accessible stalls were not large enough to accommodate a wheelchair. Also to be noted is the accessible parking that is not located closest to the door as required by the ADA.

12. Old business/new business: Staff stated that the GCD has been contacted concerning co-sponsorship of the July GCD Public forums and presenting the NAC survey.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Jack Ringland
Secretary