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**Minutes**

Name of Organization: Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)

Date and Time of Meeting: April 11, 2019

10:00 a.m.

This meeting will be held via telephone and video-conference from:

Las Vegas: Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living (SNCIL)

2950 S Rainbow Blvd, Suite 220

Las Vegas, NV 89146

Sparks: Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living (NNCIL)

999 Pyramid Way

Sparks, NV 89431

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1. Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions

Sam Lieberman, Chair

Members Present: Sam Lieberman, Vickie Essner,

Patricia Unruh, Kacy Curry, Mary Evilsizer, Jennifer Kane

Members Absent: Yvonne Penkalski, Dora Uchel

Guests: Bryan Hilbert, Lisa Bonie, John Rosenlund, Renee Portnell

CART Provider: Becky Van Auken

Staff: Dawn Lyons, Wendy Thornley

1. Public Comment (Members of the public will be invited to speak; however, no action may be taken on a matter during public comment until the matter itself has been included on an agenda as an item for possible action. Please clearly state and spell your name. Public comment may be limited to 3 minutes, per person at the discretion of the chair).

Sam stated that in other meetings that he has been part of, the actual statements are not included in the minutes, rather, just that Public Comment took place. Statements are included in the transcript of the meeting. He suggested that this happen in future SILC minutes, unless there were objections. Dawn stated that she would ask Cheyenne Pasquale if there is a standard rule that the SILC could go by.

Lisa stated that the Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living (NNCIL), will be hosting NVDA training on the first and third Thursdays of the month. The last Thursday of the month will be open topic, such as navigating Amazon, Alexa and things like that. The schedule is online.

Mary stated that the Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living (SNCIL), will have a booth at the next Veterans’ Stand Down in Las Vegas. They are also starting a bilingual housing workshops on the second Tuesday of every month at 2:30, more frequently if there is interest.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2019 **(For Possible Action)**.

Sam Lieberman, Chair

Mary motioned to approve the draft minutes. Patricia seconded. Motion carried.

1. Review of SILC Congress 2019.

Dora Uchel, Vice Chair

Dawn Lyons, Program Specialist, ADSD

There was general discussion about different workshops that the SILC members attended. The subject of the title of Executive Director was discussed at the SILC Congress as well as in the present meeting. Dawn explained that, further down the agenda for this meeting, there would be an opportunity to discuss and vote on a title. Dawn reported that in the workshops she went to, there was a presentation on priorities for ACL and ILA, preventive styles, and SPIL amendments and the SPIL timeline for this commission’s SPIL, with the deadline being July 1st, 2020. More details are included in the meeting materials she provided. She clarified the difference between technical changes and substantial changes in the writing of the SPIL. She also discussed the Code of Ethics that is in the meeting materials, and the idea of getting more youth involved in the SILC.

Mary stated that during discussions at the SILC Congress, she reported on all the things that our SILC have been doing here in Nevada.

Dawn added that there was a unanimous vote regarding the SILC Congress becoming a non-profit organization moving forward.

Lisa stated that in SILC 101, there was discussion about having a good relationship with the governor’s office for better communication regarding new membership appointments.

Dora stated the importance of having current council members be more involved in recruiting, onboarding and mentoring of new members and that there should be 51% of members with disabilities. She also mentioned having more training for current members.

Sam suggested having a training component in upcoming agendas.

1. Discussion and Make Recommendations to Postpone the Rural Outreach Trip **(For Possible Action)**

Dawn Lyons, Program Specialist, ADSD

Dawn stated that due to needs regarding updating branding and consistent messaging for the SILC, the Rural Outreach trip will be postponed until September 30th through October 6th of 2019. Those on the council who would like to be on a workgroup to work on these issues are to email Dawn.

1. Review of Strategic Planning Consultation

Dawn Lyons, Program Specialist, ADSD

Dawn went over the timeline for the different goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan that she provided as a meeting material. Most of the items will be due by July.

1. Assignment of Strategic Plan Tasks to be Completed by SILC Members and Due Dates **(For Possible Action)**

Dawn Lyons, Program Specialist, ADSD

Dawn suggested that everyone write down their individual skill sets that might benefit the SILC and submit them to her within two weeks or by April 29th, for a group skills inventory. The next item would be for members to identify and submit to Dawn by June 17th, any capacity gaps and needs that are in the community. Dawn will write up the details and present them at the July 11th, SILC Annual meeting.

Establishing rural contacts would be done by July. Any ideas should be sent to Dawn by June 15th.

SILC and CILs will develop the message for rural outreach. Interested members to contact Dawn. Ideas will be presented at the next meeting.

1. Final Discussion, Approval and Vote to Determine SILC Staff person’s Official SILC Title Effective April 11, 2019 **(For Possible Action)**.

Sam Lieberman, Chair

Kacy motioned for the title to be: “Executive Liaison Administrator”

Dora seconded.

The title, “Executive Liaison Administrator”, was voted in with three votes yes, and two votes no. The following voting members who were present, voted:

Kacy Curry-Yes

Mary Evilsizer-Yes

Sam Lieberman-No

Dora Uchel-Yes

Patricia Unruh-No

Vickie stated that if she were a voting member, she would have voted no.

Cheyenne stated that she felt that the SILC has done a disservice to the staff person with this title because the SILC had allowed Dawn to represent herself as the Executive Director in front of the National Congress, and then has now since decided that that was not a good title.

1. Update on the Independent Living Program through the State of Nevada.

John Rosenlund, Program Specialist, ADSD

This item was tabled.

1. Update on SILC Federal Fiscal Year 19 Budget and Objectives and Projection of Expenditures as Approved.

Dawn Lyons, Program Specialist, ADSD

This item was tabled.

1. Discussion and Make Recommendations Regarding Future SILC Spending Plan **(For Possible Action)**

Cheyenne Pasquale, DSE Representative

This item was tabled.

1. Approve Next Meeting Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date **(For Possible Action)**

Next SILC Meeting July 11, 2019 at NNCIL

Sam Lieberman, Chair

Tabled Items 9, 10 & 11.

Discussion on member skillsets

Strategic Plan

Nominations and elections for officers

SILC Budget

Bylaw updates

Possible new member visit

Outreach message

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Bryan encouraged unity in the group’s work because there is much work to be done before the next meeting.

1. Adjournment (Agenda items may be taken out of order, combined or consideration by the public body, and/or pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Pursuant to NRS 241.020, no action may be taken upon a matter during a period devoted to comments by the general public until the mater itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.)

Sam Lieberman, Chair

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

**Contacts**

For additional Public Comment for the SILC

**Current Independent Living Council Members**

Sam Lieberman (Chair), Dora Uchel (Vice-Chair), Mary Evilsizer, Kacy Curry, Jennifer Kane, Vickie Essner, Patricia Unruh,Yvonne Penkalski, Cheyenne Pasquale

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