

General Meet 10-3PM

November 18, 2020



Council Members in attendance

First Name	Last Name	
Joan	LaBelle	x
Olivia	Tonti	x
Ty	Smith	x
Martha	Mason	x
Sam	Jarris	
Charlotte	Morgan	x
Jennifer	Scilacci	x
Bill	Wood	x
Staci	Nichols	x
Steve	Heidenreich	x
Louise	Wilson	x

Staff in attendance

First Name	Last Name	
Jaime	Harrell	x

Guests in attendance

Dixie Herring	Sarah Hanson	Rochelle Miller	Candie Burnham
Sarah Hanson	Bill Edwards	Karen Prince	Joy McCoy
Rochelle Miller	Linda Taylor	Patrick Teegarden	Interpreter (Stephanie Cryer)
Interpreter (Carol Hodgins)			

AGENDA

Call to Order

Time meeting started: 10:02 am

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by: Bill Wood

Seconded by: Ty Smith

Unanimous X Abstain ____ No ____

Motion passes

Discussion: no discussion

Approval of Minutes (August)

Motion made by: Bill wood

Seconded by: Charlotte Morgan

Unanimous X Abstain ____ No ____

Motion passes

Discussion: no discussion

SILC UPDATES (SILC Contract with DSE, 501c3, Executive Order)

Discussion: SILC update- PO will go through end of December; will have to go through Documented Quote process for ED position to resume staff functions on Jan 1

- Bill Wood- question- once contract, what is the status of ED position, Jaime will have to re-compete for compliance; the job description will follow to the SILC.
- officially received 501c3 status about 1 month ago

Financial Report (When a report is given with a written report can use here “see report” and only note items of significance

- Need to get a sense of what we need in report;
- Back up schedule for line items; detailed line items- create a workbook for details
- Martha shares that there is no information on the financials that are out of order
- Bank balance; Martha consider ultimately addressing financial management of budget;
- Joan LaBelle- Finance committee can support;
- Ty Smith- focus on training
- Bill Wood- Focus of training at SILC conference for seminar for members, etc. and training at retreat on hoe to be a BOD rather than Council

Need to update checking account with a motion

Item to add Jaime Harrell and Martha Mason to SILC banking accounts and remove Chris Roe from banking accounts

Motion made by: Bill Wood to remove Chris Roe and add Martha Mason and Jaime Harrell to banking accounts

Second: Steve

Unanimous X Abstain ____ No _____

Motion passes

Discussion: no discussion

Patrick Teegarden training on Colorado Open Records Act and the SILC

Recording on training over open records act; John Leesa (?) can present on Feb meeting over open meetings and potential conflicts and open records laws

Bill- thought- Pat may want to know questions ahead of time for questions in February- members may want questions; Bill- CIL Directors may also have questions related to SILC offered for Pat

CIL Updates

- Connections4IL- working with COVID is tough; Connections Cares to share pantry boxes and offer social distanced connection
- Center Toward Self-Reliance- down number of staff in office; converting part of office into youth center, complete by January or February; funded by Packard Fund; meet in parks, etc. for providing services. Continuing home mods and assistive tech for older individuals
- Atlantis Community- finally moved and almost done setting; number of consumers has stayed stable; provided camping and backpacks for individuals; partnered with HCPF and hotels to move individuals to housing using HH through pilot
- Center for Independence- impact of COVID on disabled homeless- partnerships with agencies to build safety nets; using walk up window for resources and have applied for 5-star rating to continue to operate; counties in area are starting to close down
- Southwest Center for Independence- down to 10% of staff in office and no more payroll protection money left; transportation money arrived, cant use money because cant drive now; looking at transition from justice system; 24 ppl on transition waitlist now and have new staff person,
- Disabled Resource Services- almost fully staffed now, putting 2 drive-thus for serving consumers, one at each location; new phone system for Fort Collins office that offers hands-free, employment is doing very well; hired finance manager
- Northwest Colorado Center for Independence- managing many different county COVID levels; working with apps and disseminating accurate information, working with non-profits, state agencies and schools to support areas; maintaining non-emergency non-med transportation-

- Olivia- question about encouraging vaccination vs non vaccination.
- Ian- pandemic and risk mitigation protocol;
- Ty- question about mental health support for communities.

Public Comment

- Sadie Martinez- including planning with approaches with EP in thoughts as preparing and planning
- Steve Heidenreich- grant to begin public speaking business- thankful to have opportunity to work independently.

Partner Updates (SRC/DVR/DSE)

- **SRC** (Steve)- need to get more people to learn about DVR; SILC needs to share about CILs, SILC, and DVR can do; looking for businesses to join State Rehab Council (SRC), working with CDLE to hire people who want to work; Ty- is there an office available at CILs? Ian- it is different in each community
- **DVR** (Jennifer)- dealing with COVID-19; applications went down drastically; fairly similar cases as last year and employing people successfully; Eric Clark is DVRs Business Relations manager and had over 400 people attend employment event; different legislators attended; DVR is looking at what it means to be a model employer for hiring people with disabilities; sponsoring legislation for having a preference for hiring people with disabilities- similar to veteran's preference for employment; BTI will be training for accessibility
- **DSE** (Peter)- monthly report- able to share consumers that are mutually shared between CILs and DVR; ~100 people are shared, that number has gone up over the years. Possibility for CILs to support IL which increases opportunity to be in the workforce → DVR; keep bringing partners together;
 - A couple things coming up:
 - PPR- (Dec 31)- completing reports and will be worked on by SILC

- SILC and CILs working with- SEEKS- 5 -year research project, began enrollment; currently 5 people enrolled. Looking to see if interventions work. The SILC is well represented on the advisory team. There is also a peer committee.
- Commented on CILs and SILC to ensure meeting requirements over the next 6 months (with CILs)

Discussion: no discussion

Committee Updates

SPIL Monitoring – committee chair needs to be part of this; Joan has asked for member participation in this; changes to the SPIL were very minor; voted this committee a few meetings ago, Ty would like to send out invites along with SPIL invite

Public Policy- would like to send letter to legislators letting everyone know who SILC is- would like to present at next SILC meeting and also have a few legislators as targeted

Membership has been busy- interviewed Karen Prince, voted to recommend her; interviewed Dixie Herring, voted to recommend her; renewing Steve Heidenreich and recommendation for renew; interject that

Youth

Communications see Youth Committee attachment

Communications Sam not in attendance and no communications report

Approval of New and Renewing Members (Steve Heidenreich [renew], Dixie Herring and Karen Prince [new])

Motion made by: Bill Wood: accept Membership Committee's recommendation for both Dixie Herring and Karen Prince to be presented to Governor's office as applicants for SILC membership

Second: Charlotte Morgan

Unanimous X Abstain _____ No _____

Motion passes

No discussion

Motion made by: Charlotte Morgan: accept Steve Heidenreich for 2nd 3-year term on SILC

Second: Stacy Nichols

Unanimous X Abstain _____ No _____

Motion passes

Discussion: Stacy- wants to ask for an individual in a rural area to apply

APRIL Thoughts

Participants shared information on recent APRIL conference and importance of SILC sponsoring participation

Closing Thoughts and Adjourn

Close at 2:06