

**Statewide Independent Living Council
Council Meeting
ABIL Board Room
5025 E Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85034
Minutes of Thursday, April 23, 2015**

Council Members Present

Bob Michaels, Scott Lindbloom, Sherri Collins, Rudy Buchanan, Danita Applewhite, Georgia McLaughlin, Paul Ferry (RSA Representative), Mark Israel, Larry Clausen, Jenn-Yun Tien.

Guests Present

Laura Duval (CIL Representative), Shawnita Miranda (SMILE), Herb Paine (Consultant).

Staff Present

Larry Wanger, Melissa Ann Santora, Lea Marie Laffartha.

Welcome/Introductions

Bob Michaels called the meeting to order at 9:05 am and introductions were completed. Larry Wanger introduced Lea Marie Laffartha, newly employed SILC Office Manager.

Consent Agenda

Bob Michaels indicated that no feedback was received on the consent agenda, and called for a motion to approve, which was offered by Sherri Collins and seconded by Georgia McLaughlin. All were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Minutes

After review of the Executive Committee meeting minutes of March 25, 2015, Bob Michaels entertained a motion in this regard. Jenn-Yun Tien motioned to approve the minutes of 3/25/15 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Rudy Buchanan. All were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report

Larry Wanger reviewed the Financial Reports for March 2015, Larry indicated that SILC has done a better job of budgeting this year, but there will be some funds remaining. The budget will be reallocated to make some improvements in technology. Any adjustments that amount to more than 10% of a specific line item in the budget will be brought to the Council for consideration and approval. There were no questions, and Bob Michaels entertained a motion in this matter. A motion was made to approve the March 2015 Financial Reports as submitted, by Danita Applewhite, and was seconded by Jenn-Yun Tien. All were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal Year 2016 Proposed Budget

Larry Wanger reviewed the Fiscal Year 2016 Proposed Budget, which runs 7/1/15-6/30/16. The proposed budget is due to AZRSA on 5/1/15. Larry indicated that this is a conservative budget, which adds in the part-time Office Manager position. The net gain on the budget is roughly \$20,000. SILC staff have lowered some costs, will have less expensive website maintenance as much has now been established. The proposed budget features an increase in Council Support funds to provide for 5-6 Public Forums in regard to SPIL Development. There were no questions following Larry's presentation. A motion to approve the FY16 Proposed Budget was offered by Jenn-Yun Tien and seconded by Sherri Collins. All were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Report

Bob Michaels indicated that the date of the June SILC meeting has been changed to 6/18/15 from 9am-Noon.

Bob indicated that Jennifer Longdon and Rudy Buchanan have committed to serve on the SILC Nominating Committee, which will be meeting soon to address the upcoming vacancies on SILC.

Executive Session

Bob Michaels excused all who are not members of the SILC at 9:15am, as SILC went to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the evaluation of the Executive Director.

Following the Executive Session, Bob Michaels called the SILC meeting back to order at 9:33am.

Larry Clausen motioned to approve the evaluation of Larry Wanger and to increase his salary by 6.5%, effective 3/15/15. Sherri Collins seconded. All were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

Larry Wanger indicated that SILC staff will work a booth at the Health & Wellness Fair 4/24 and 4/25. SILC members are welcome to attend or assist.

Arizona Youth Leadership Forum has received all 25 applications. Larry participated in some interviews, while Melissa conducted all interviews with the assistance of some community partners. Larry asked SILC members to mark their calendars for the Graduation Ceremony on Thursday, 6/25/15, in the evening.

Sherri Collins asked Larry to forward the NCIL Conference information. Larry agreed, and also indicated that it can also be found at www.ncil.org.

Danita Applewhite indicated that she is hoping to promote Arizona Youth Leadership Forum on an upcoming radio show.

Call to Public

There were no Public comments.

Motion to Adjourn

Sherri Collins motioned to adjourn and Jenn-Yun Tien seconded. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45am.