

Indiana Council on Independent Living (ICOIL)

January 9, 2013 at 1p.m.

Indiana Government Center South (IGCS), Conference Room C

402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Josh Williams, Carol Baker, Richard Simers, Peter Bisbecos, John Guingrich, Peter Ciancone, Holly Wimsatt, Kristy Cook (Designated State Unit [DSU] Representative)

Guests: Elizabeth Goldman, Jonathan Bont, Nancy Young, Bonnie Bommer, Lisa Oliver, Leighann Hall

Called to Order:

Richard Simers called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

John Guingrich made a motion to approve the agenda, and Josh Williams seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Meeting Minutes Approval for December 5, 2012

Peter Bisbecos made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 5, 2012, and Peter Ciancone seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Council Business

Updates (Richard Simers)

- The 704 Report was submitted on time with all modifications made.

Discussion of Carry-Over Dollars(John Guingrich)

- The group discussed utilizing Briljent to help spend the carry-over dollars to help promote ICOIL.
- Briljent gave the Executive Committee a presentation on possible deliverables based on ICOIL's goals.

- Peter Bisbecos asked if the carryover funds could pay current expenses from last year. John Guingrich and Carol Baker agreed to ask the DSU that question
- Peter Ciancone asked if the leftover money could be committed to a project, but not spent before May 2013. Carol Baker will research that question.
- Everyone was asked to submit their spending suggestions by e-mail no later than January 23, 2013.
- The council agreed that positive ways to spend the money include: printing marketing materials, writing/developing marketing materials, and sending out Peter Bisbecos's white paper as a press release. Another suggestion was to use the money and try to impact the 2013 legislation.
- Peter Bisbecos's white paper will be released on January 29, 2013, as a press release.

Report from the DSU (Kristy Cook)

- The DSU is currently waiting for the administration change based on the new political office candidates.
- At least one, possibly two, commission requests have been sent.
- The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) report will be available on January 22, 2013.
- The DSU held their first symposium for Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS).
- DSU is experiencing many promotions of individuals that are already "within" the organization.

Executive Director Report (Carol Baker)

- ICOIL was at the Governor's Annual Conference where a display table was set up and ICOIL took public comments on the state plan.
- ICOIL will be co-sponsoring the Public Policy Seminar.
- Peter Bisbecos will be attending the Annual Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) Congress being held in San Diego next week.
- Membership might be picking up with another recommendation for a council member and another interview scheduled.
- The Statewide Plan on Independent Living (SPIL) is still being updated. Once done, it will be sent to the council for review.

- All scheduled public hearings and the Webinar went well.

Report from Standing Committee/Ad Hoc Committee

Executive Committee: Chair

- The Executive Committee reviewed and approved the 704 Report.

Finance Committee: John Guingrich

- The finances are on track. John Guingrich provided a handout.
- John Guingrich will work on a new format for the finance report.

Marketing, Outreach/Membership Committee: Peter Ciancone

- Peter Ciancone mentioned an Advocacy Day in Indianapolis on January 30, 2013.
- It was mentioned that there is a transportation meeting in downtown Indianapolis on February 13, 2013.

Planning Committee: Josh Williams

- The committee did not meet.

Update from Part C or Part B Centers for Independent Living (CIL)

CIL Update

- Peter Ciancone stated that his center is trying to establish a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) support group. This center has the Veterans Administration involved, along with some other individuals.

Public Comments

- Jonathon Bont, from the U.S. Attorney's Office in Indianapolis, wanted to make sure people are aware of their services in such cases as a denial of right to act due to a disability. He plans to attend ICOIL meetings when he can.

Adjournment

Josh Williams made the motion for adjournment to end the meeting at 2:19 p.m., and Peter Bisbecos seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The next meeting is set for **February 13, 2013** at 1 p.m. in Conference Room C in the IGCS. Individuals needing disability accommodations must contact the ICOIL Director at least **48 hours** prior to the ICOIL meeting by calling 317-809-0314.