

Indiana Council on Independent Living (ICOIL)

November 9, 2011 at 1 p.m.

Indiana Government Center South (IGCS), Conference Room C

402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Carol Baker, Richard Simers, Dee Ann Hart, Justin Ogden, Josh Williams, John Guingrich, Nancy Zemaitis (Designated State Unit [DSU] Representative), Holly Wimsatt, Cathlene Hardy-Hansen

Guests: Chrissy Elzy (Southeast Indiana [SE IN] Independent Living Center), Nancy Young (Designated State Unit [DSU]), Amy Selders, Pete Ciancone

Called to Order:

Dee Ann Hart called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Richard Simers made a motion to add a Health Finance Committee update.
- Richard Simers made a motion to approve the agenda, and Josh Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Meeting Minutes Approval for September 13, 2011:

Richard Simers made a motion to approve the minutes, and Josh Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Report from the DSU (Nancy Zemaitis):

Update: Nancy Zemaitis

- The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) Director, Julia Holloway, has resigned; her last day in office will be November 30, 2011. Douglas Elwell will be taking over the position. During this transition period, Shane Spotts will have signing authority.
- ICOIL's request to attend the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) Conference is still awaiting approval.

- DSU is still experiencing a staff shortage. The personnel plan was put into action to hire counselors. The next plan to implement for hiring is hiring administrators.
- Following the Federal review, a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) was developed. This CAP was developed to help correct some non-compliant items (i.e. membership, by-laws, and procedures).
- The CAP will be sent out to members to review.

Report on Rehab Services Agency (RSA) Conference call: Executive Committee

- No items were mentioned.

704 Report Discussion and update: Richard Simers

- The first meeting is being held on November 17, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.
- Richard Simers is requesting that individuals who received the document please send it back, ranking which training is needed.

Report on Health Finance Committee: Richard Simers

- The last meeting was held on October 18, 2011.
- There was continued discussion on the creation of prescription labels for the visually impaired. It was decided that this bill would not be backed. Yet, it could still be introduced by individual state legislators.
- There was discussion about the Developmental Disability (DD) Waiver change. Richard Simers will be sending out the document that discusses the proposed ruling.

Report from Standing Committee/Ad Hoc Committee:

Executive Committee: Chair

- The last meeting was held on October 26, 2011.
- A conference call with RSA was held.
- Discussion was held about 501-C3; John Guingrich will report on this.
- Discussion was held about the State Plan Committee developing a to-do list and time line.

Finance Committee: John Guingrich

- John Guingrich provided a brief handout of the current financial standing.
- John Guingrich and Carol Baker will meet once a month.

- Talk will be started with the State to discuss next steps with ICOIL.
- More of a breakdown will be provided at future meetings.

Marketing, Outreach/Membership Committee: Dee Ann Hart

- This committee has not met to date.
- Conference calls will be established within the next month to discuss action items for the committee and possible membership.
- A member asked about social networking. It was decided at this time that social networking will not be a priority. The Marketing, Outreach/ Membership Committee can look into it further and bring it back up for discussion.

Planning Committee

- The first meeting was held on November 9, 2011 following the ICOIL meeting.

Report from the Director: Carol Baker

- The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular will be contacted to learn what ICOIL can do in regards to supporting additional groups, committees, and legislature.
 - Each individual within ICOIL is allowed to advocate individually.
 - The Policy/Procedure Committee is asked to create a policy for ICOIL.
 - RSA states ICOIL is not allowed to lobby.
 - Carol Baker will follow up on obtaining the circular.
- Renewal with the National Council on Independent Living is up for discussion.
- Amy Selders has asked to help with the State Planning Committee.
- ICOIL had an exhibit table at the United Senior Conference on October 15, 2011. Possible membership information was distributed.
- ICOIL had an exhibit at the Multiple Sclerosis Conference on October 29, 2011. Possible membership information was distributed. A discussion with Crossroads was held to possibly establish a partnership. This would include containing information regarding Crossroads and ICOIL on both Web sites.

- The Governor's Planning Council on November 29 and 30, 2011 will be attended by Richard Simers and Carol Baker. It was suggested that members attend the workshops that pertain to their specific committees.
- Chrissy Elzy was presented with a plaque for completing her SILC training.

Public Comments

No comments were presented.

Motion: Dee Ann Hart made a motion to adjourn at 1:53 p.m. and Richard Simers seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

The next meeting is set for **December 14, 2011** 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.