

Indiana Council on Independent Living (ICOIL)

November 14, 2012 at 1p.m.

Indiana Government Center South (IGCS), Conference Room C

402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Josh Williams, Carol Baker, Chrissy Elzy, Richard Simers, Nancy Young, (Designated State Unit [DSU] Independent Living [IL] Program Director), Peter Bisbecos, John Guingrich, Peter Ciancone, Holly Wimsatt, Melissa Madill

Guests: Bonnie Bomer (Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services [IPAS])

Called to Order:

Richard Simers called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Meeting Minutes Approval for September 12, 2012

Peter Bisbecos made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 10, 2012, and Peter Ciancone seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Council Business

State Plan on Independent Living (SPIL) Public Hearing Webinar (Ted Williams)

- The SPIL Public Hearing will be a public meeting and can be viewed through a Webcast.
- The release of the hearing dates is on the site calendar for Indiana and the ICOIL Web site.
- The last hearing will strictly be held via a conference call. This number will not be toll-free.

- Information regarding these hearings was distributed and a comments section is available.

704 Report Training Survey (Richard Simers)

- No new information was reported.

White Paper Update (Peter Bisbecos)

- This white paper is being used to make a request for financial funds for five new centers.

State Independent Living Council (SILC) Congress (Richard Simers/Carol Baker)

- The dates for this event are January 12 - 15, 2013.
- It will be held in San Diego, California.
- Peter Bisbecos would like to attend.

Report from the DSU (Nancy Young)

- The Centers for Independent Living (CIL) visits are complete.
- BRS Employment Specialist is Kevin Groben.
- BRS Training Coordinator is Christina (Chris) Trageser.
- Right now we have seven VRC vacancies. Of those, five are in the selection process and should be filled soon.
 - We also have a few staff on some form of medical leave.
 - We have three Area Supervisor vacancies. Gary (Area 2), Shadeland (Area 14), and Columbus (Area 22), once Ethel transfers to Lynhurst.
 - All area supervisor positions are somewhere in the process of being requested to post.
 - We know of one upcoming VRC retirement in January as well as one secretary
- Triennial Needs Assessment: Consumer Forums
 - I have met with Richmond, Terre Haute, Vincennes, and Muncie. There have been 31 participants. Most have had some contact with VR even if invited from the IL. Have had great discussions with many similar themes. Please thank the directors for working in making these happen. Their hospitality has been great. Will provide summary at the end if you want it for them.

- VR Public Hearings will be held the week of December 17-21 in North, Central, and South parts of the state. The hearings will be in regards to chapter revisions made to the Policy and Procedure Manual. Most revisions are minor and non-substantial; but we are fulfilling the federal requirement to hold public hearings when any changes are made to policy.
 - Similar to SPIL public hearings, there will be a webcast option for people to log in and type their comments during the actual public hearing. There will be a separate day for a call-in option to leave comments.
 - Public announcements will be issued at the end of the week.

Executive Director Report (Carol Baker)

- ICOIL received conformation to participate in the Indiana Governor's Conference. ICOIL council members are invited to attend the Indiana Governor's Conference. The event, sponsored by the Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities, will take place December 4 through December 5, 2012 at the Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis.
- Carol Baker was asked if ICOIL wanted to be a cosponsor of a public seminar series. Richard Simers may be requested to help with tours of the state house.
- Carol Baker will interview a potential new council member.

Report from Standing Committee/Ad Hoc Committee

Executive Committee: Chair

- The Executive Committee discussed the white paper and attendance at the SILC Congress.

Finance Committee: John Guingrich

- The Finance Committee did not meet. A budget sheet was made available to attendees.
- At the next ICOIL meeting, John Guingrich would like to discuss spending the money left over from last year.

Marketing, Outreach/Membership Committee: Peter Ciancone

- The Marketing, Outreach/Membership Committee did not meet.

Planning Committee: Josh Williams

- The Planning Committee discussed the SPIL.

- ICOIL will use the full two days of the exhibit at the Indiana Governor's Conference to gather public comments.
 - Large print copies of the SPIL goals will be made available.
 - A question and answer (Q&A) document will also be provided.

Update from Part C or Part B CIL

- Peter Ciancone provided an update that his center has now completed 32 handicap accessible ramps.

Public Comments

- No public comments were made.

Adjournment

Richard Simers made the motion for adjournment to end the meeting at 2:07 p.m., and Peter Bisbecos seconded. The motion was passed.

The next meeting is set for **December 12, 2012** 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.