

Indiana Council on Independent Living (ICOIL)

May 9, 2012 at 1 p.m.

Indiana Government Center South (IGCS), Conference Room 18

402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Dee Ann Hart, Theresa Koleszar (Designated State Unit [DSU] Representative), Carol Baker, Peter Ciancone, Holly Wimsatt, Chrissy Elzy, John Guingrich

Guests: Richard Simers, Nancy Young (DSU), Kristy Cook, Amy Browning, Jim McCormick, June Holt, David Nelson

Called to Order

Dee Ann Hart called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

- A comment was made to add June Holt to the agenda.
- John Guingrich made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, and Peter Ciancone seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Meeting Minutes Approval for April 11, 2012

Chrissy Elzy made a motion to approve the minutes from April, 11, 2012, and Peter Ciancone seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Council Business

The council business was covered in the Executive Director Report.

June Holt from the Generations Project

- June Holt provided a handout that described the Generations Project.
- The Generations Project would like to list ICOIL as a sponsor and would like ICOIL to help with marketing the tour and getting attendees to attend.
- All of the “listening tours” will hopefully be completed by mid-summer.
- The questionnaires that will be passed out and completed will also be available online for completion by those who could not attend.

Report from the DSU (Theresa Koleszar)

Update: Theresa Koleszar

- Corrective Action Plan (CAP)
 - New language about confidentiality needs to be implemented during the renewal of contracts and new contracts. All of the changes and corrections were accepted.
 - The third area of concern was financial information; news about the validity of the expenses is still forthcoming.
 - The membership report from the Governor's office was sent and is awaiting approval.
- Kristy Cook is the new Director of Policy and Planning as of April 17, 2012.
- The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) is taking on an employment initiative.
 - DDRS wants people to be educated about the services and employment opportunities available.
 - DDRS is looking at target agencies to begin this pilot program.
 - Shane Spotts, Director of DDRS, wants to better collaborate with the state and the different state agencies.
- Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) funding will end on June 30, 2012.
 - There is talk that there will only be a six-month gap in funding.
- Out-of-state funding is still in process, but has been approved through the first step.

Executive Director Report (Carol Baker)

- Dee Ann Hart will attend the National Council on Independent Living (NCIL) conference.
- Carol Baker reminded the council about the Indiana Special Ed Parent Survey.
- The National Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Symposium will be held in Indianapolis from May 30 - June 1, 2012.
 - Chrissy Elzy received a scholarship to cover her registration fee.
 - ICOIL will sponsor Dee Ann Hart to attend, along with supporting Chrissy Elzy with her additional expenses.
 - Melissa Madill's Council on Independent Living (CIL) will be providing tours of their agency during this symposium.

- Carol Baker has been in contact with other states to see how they recruit new members.
 - Carol Baker did receive an application for membership, but the individual is not available to commit to ICOIL until September 2013.
- Carol met with the Governor's Council about the state plan.
 - They discussed how to address and conduct public forums.
 - The Governor's Council has consumer investment funds to help with the cost of the public forums. ICOIL will have to apply for these funds.
 - Attracting attendees was also discussed. Providing lunch was mentioned as an option.

Report from Standing Committee/Ad Hoc Committee

Executive Committee: Chair

- The Executive Committee did not meet.

Finance Committee: John Guingrich

- John Guingrich passed out the budget report.

Marketing, Outreach/Membership Committee: Dee Ann Hart

- The Committee did not meet.

Planning Committee: Josh Williams

- The Committee did not meet.
- Dee Ann Hart commented that a meeting needs to be held with the Planning Committee to discuss the state plan and public forums.

Report from Part C and Part B Centers for Independent Living

Fort Wayne Centers for Independent Living Update (David Nelson)

- David Nelson passed out several flyers regarding the Fort Wayne CIL program.
- The Fort Wayne CIL is involved in the Voter Education Project.
 - A database is being developed to allow people with disabilities to contact candidates.
 - This program asks candidates to comment on issues and their dispositions on what is important to people with disabilities.
 - A manual is being developed to show other states and agencies how the Fort Wayne CIL created this program.

- Youth Services was discussed.
 - This program is now 21 years old and is still going strong.
 - This program works with kids and their parents during case conferences to develop Individualized Education Plans (IEP) within the school system.
 - This program is hoping to help transition the youth it serves into adult roles.
- The Fort Wayne CIL is currently working on the Candidate Forum scheduled for August 2012.

Public Comments

- June Holt asked if she could add ICOIL as a partner on her Generations Project flyer.
 - John Guingrich made a motion to allow June Holt to use ICOIL as a partner. Peter Ciancone seconded the motion. The motion was passed.
- John Guingrich will share new information regarding the merging of the current Administration on Aging, Office on Disability, and Administration on Developmental Disabilities.

Motion: Dee Ann Hart ended the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

The next meeting is set for **June 13, 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.