



INDIANA STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 24, 2020, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

INSILC Council Members Present: Fred Vaiana; Cynthia Rockwell; Tammy Themel; Erin Hall; Joe Gunn; Abigail Fleenor; Theresa Koleszar; Kevin Burk; Kelsey Cowley

INSILC Members Absent: N/A

Guests Present: Amber O’Haver (INSILC ED); Hayden Smith (INSILC Staff); Kim F. (INSILC Accountant)

- I. **Welcome and Call to Order:** Cynthia Rockwell officially called the meeting to order at 2:46 PM EST.
- II. **Roll Call:** Cynthia Rockwell; Amber O’Haver; Fred Vaiana; Hayden Smith; Abigail Fleenor; Kevin Burk, Erin Hall; Joe Gunn; Kelsey Cowley; Tammy Themel; Theresa Koleszar
- III. **Reading of INSILC Public Apology and Statement of Solidarity:** Cynthia Rockwell read aloud an apology and statement of solidarity directed at communities of color in Indiana. The statement included several action items the council and staff have committed to in order to ensure its operations and practices are more equitable and mitigate bias.
- IV. **Review of Minutes:** Cynthia Rockwell asked for a motion to approve the May 8, 2020 meeting minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Fred Vaiana. The motion was seconded by Abigail Fleenor, and the motion was passed via roll call.
- V. **Financial Report:** Kim F. and Amber O’Haver briefly described the process of merging and streamlining INSILC financial data from various platforms into QuickBooks. As a result of the merging and integration of various platforms with QuickBooks, Amber and Kim are having to go back through previous fiscal years to make sure all of the data merged correctly and looks right in the new ledger. This project is making good progress and is almost complete.
- VI. **INSILC 2020 Mandatory Implicit Bias Training:** The Council decided to table this agenda item.
- VII. **INSILC Membership Nomination Committee Report:** Joe Gunn described how efforts for recruiting and recommending new appointments to the council are being centered on people with multiply marginalized backgrounds and applicants of color are being especially prioritized. A motion to forward the appointment nominations from the committee to the governor’s office was made by Fred Vaiana. The motion was seconded by Abigail Fleenor, and the motion was passed via roll call.
- VIII. **INSILC SPIL Committee Report:** Tammy Themel said the committee has given a working copy of the SPIL draft to the council members so they can provide feedback and she is hoping to forward the final document to all of the CIL Directors very soon. She said she is hoping to have the SPIL submitted by the following Monday, one day before the scheduled deadline, just in case there are any technical issues that arise.
- IX. **INSILC Bylaws Amendment:** Amber O’Haver and Cynthia Rockwell discussed the need to amend the INSILC Bylaws to increase the minimum number of required members on the council.

Requiring a larger council would support the governor appointing additional council members and better support the governance and functionality of INSILC. Cynthia asked for a motion to increase the number of minimum council members from eleven to fifteen. A motion was made by Tammy Themel. The motion was seconded by Fred Vaiana, and the motion was passed via roll call.

- X. **INSILC/DSE FFY2021 Contract & Funding Cuts – Pay Point Deliverables***: Amber explained that there are major looming COVID-19 funding cuts from the state that will impact the Independent Living Network in Indiana, including INSILC. She warned the council that because of the cuts, there will most likely have to be major changes in INSILC operations.
- XI. **Public Comments**: Cynthia Rockwell requested a motion to shift away from and table any remaining agenda items and open up public comment. A motion was made by Joe Gunn. The motion was seconded by Abigail Fleenor, and the motion was passed via roll call. The council and staff spent the remainder of the meeting addressing comments/questions in the chat area of the Zoom platform from Everybody Counts. Lorrell Kilpatrick from Everybody Counts also spoke to the council and shared comments related to the recent INSILC public apology and solidarity statement.