**Minnesota Statewide Independent Living Council**

**Minutes**

**January 12, 2023**

**Call to Order:** The virtual meeting of the Minnesota Statewide Independent Living Council was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by chairwomen Robyn Block on January 12, 2023, with a quorum present. Meeting etiquette was reviewed.

**Council Members Present**: Robyn Block, Paulo Matheus Carvalho Chaves de Castro, Joe Dailey, Rosalie Eisenreich, Deborah Gleason, Karen Larson, Stephen Larson, Larry Lura, Dr. Mohamed Mourssi Alfash, Tom Reed, Judy Sanders

**Council Members Absent:** Brian Baker, Lisa Harvey, Haley Kimmet

**Ex Officio Members Present:** Ed Lecher, Brad Westerlund **Ex Officio Member Absent**: David Fenley

**Guest:** Sue Fager, PACER Center

**Approve Meeting Agenda:** Judy Sanders made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Tom Reed seconded the motion. The motion was carried by voice vote.

**Approve Minutes for December 8, 2022 meeting:** Karen Larson made a motion to table approval of the December minutes until the next meeting. Rosalie Eisenreich seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

**DEED/VRS Update:** Brad Westerlund reported that Anne Paulson will be applying to replace him on MNSILC. Part B contracts for the centers for independent living should be completed by January 13, 2023.

**SSB Update:** Ed Lecher reported SSB is remodeling the meeting room to accommodate hybrid meetings.

**MCD Update:** No report

**Update – SRC G**: No report

**Update – SRC B:**  SRC B meets every other month. SRC B is exploring a speaker’s bureau for senior services.

**Review SPIL accomplishment for PPR**: The completed SPIL will be sent to the council for their review and approval.

**Public Comments:** Sue Fager, PACER Center, works with transition age youth and family members. Invite her to the Outreach Committee to work on youth initiatives.

Governor Walz signed the proclamation for Ed Roberts Day, January 23. 2023.

The Sexual Violence Center is looking for partnerships with disability providers.

**Volunteer – Treasurer:** Robyn Block asked for volunteers to serve as Treasurer. Stephen Larson volunteered. Judy Sanders made a motion to nominate Stephen Larson as Treasurer. Karen Laron seconded the motion. The motion was carried by roll call vote.

**Training: Making Change Happen:** Council member Rosalie Eisenreich provided training about getting the message out that people need services and how MNSILC ca deliver that message. Council members were provided with the Power Point presentation.

**Committee Reports:** Committee meeting notes will be sent to council members.

Review Advocacy Discussion – No discussion at this meeting.

**Ex Officio Members:** Robyn Block announced that Brad Westerlund and David Fenley term on MNSILC expire on February 8, 2023. Robyn thanked Brad for all his work on the council for the past 6 plus years. Brad stated he will be continuing to work on contracts and committees as time allows.

**Adjourn:** The next meeting is scheduled for March 9th. At 1:00 p.m. Judy Sanders made a motion to adjourn. Deborah Gleason seconded the motion.

**Respectfully Submitted**: Deborah Gleason, Secretary

Recorded by Jo Erbes, Coordinator

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