

## Full Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 12/15/2022

Meeting Called to Order: 11:13 AM

Members in Attendance: Michael Bullis, Rose Carey, Melissa Blubaugh, Jade Gingerich, Lorna-Mae Silcott, Megan Glaze-Keller, Lauren Young, Monica Wiley, English Harper, Janice Jackson, Josh Basile

Guests: Laurie Elinoff, Lori Magruder, Sarah Basehart, Berenda Riedl, Dave Drezner, Lidiya Belyovska, Karen Anderson-Scott, Bong Delrosario, Chris Kelter, Corey Camper, Hindley Williams, Darlene Paragoy

The agenda and minutes were approved.

Bong provided a training and updates about transportation.

### Committee Reports:

- Infrastructure: The operations manual was approved.
- Outcomes: Individuals should submit questions for David Hancock training which is still going to take place.
- SPIL: By the IL Partners meeting in February, the SPIL will be ready for review and comment. Significant changes will be made for a one-year extension until ACL implements its changes and then the next three-year plan will be drafted. The deep dive of changes will start when the three-year plan direction is given from ACL in late 2023.
- Public Engagement: Website updates are a continuous effort and if any individuals have resource suggestions, they can contact the committee. They are working on a PowerPoint and a brochure that gives the basics of what the SILC is. They will be reaching out to individual council members to see about what their strengths and experiences are.
- Rehabilitation Council: Last month they reviewed the survey that DORS sent out to their clients.
- Legislative: The committee has completed their 2023 public policy platform and Sarah will be sending it to Rose so that it can be placed on the SILC website. The committee is going to send it to Susan Larsen and come up with a post for early in the year for social media distribution. The platform will also be distributed to all Maryland legislators and CIL directors. The legislative toolkit will be sent out in conjunction with the legislative advocacy training which will be taking place on January 9. Registration is required for the training.
- Membership: The SILC had three new members: Cynthia Brown, Monica Wiley, and Lauren Young.

DORS: There are not any updates regarding the executive director position.

CIL Updates:

- SMCIL: Hosted a successful grand reopening last month to celebrate their rebranding.
- Freedom Center: They continue to set up their new physical office space. They will host an open house on January 20. They are looking to hire a new peer specialist.
- Resources for Independence: Engaged in voter encouragement and assistance efforts in November. They hired an additional benefits counselor. They have applied to become an employment network.
- Independence Now: They are looking for a full-time person to work as a community health worker. They hosted a consumer holiday party last week which was well-attended. They are currently doing outreach for YLF which will take place in June.
- ARI: Continuing partnership with the Howard County Autism Society for employment.
- IMAGE Center: New contract with HUD to provide home modifications to seniors. They are working on onboarding 25 new veterans and recently hired a new community health worker.

Public Comment: Bong stated that MDOD is working on an inclusive playground initiative for the state of Maryland and he would like input from the CILs. They will be releasing a toolkit in late winter.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:11 PM