

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**  
**New Mexico Statewide Independent Living Council**  
**Quarterly Meeting: February 8, 2019 – 10:00AM**  
**New Vistas 1205 Parkway Drive Suite A**  
**Santa Fe, NM 87507**

**I. Welcome/Call to Order** **Jason Gordon** called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**II. Roll Call/Introduction of Guests** **Jason Gordon**  
**Others in Attendance/Guests**

- Guy Surdi – Governors Commission on Disability
- Tim Carver (Leslie Wright) San Juan Center for Independence
- Michael Murphy – Independent Living Center
- Robert Alirez – DVR Acting Director
- Lucinda Garcia – DVR Acting RSU Deputy Director
- Anna M. Vigil – DVR IL Program Manager
- Tammy Kesler – DVR Contracts Manager
- Lisa McNiven – Governors Council on Disability - Absent

**Roll Call**

- Rebecca Holland – Absent
- Coby Livingston – Present
- Jason Gordon – Present
- Audra Wilson – Present
- Petra Solimon – Present
- Leslie Wright – Absent (Tim Carver for Leslie Wright)
- Sarah Michaud – Present
- Paula Seanez – Present
- Ken Collins – Absent (arrived at 11:07 a.m.)
- Robert Alirez – Present
- Anna Vigil – Present
- Michael Murphy – Present
- Albert Montoya – Absent

**III. Action Item – Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 11, 2019**

- Paula’s name needs to be corrected (misspelled on 29 November 18 minutes)
- Guy Surdi was listed in Roll Call for January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting
- Audra Wilson motioned to approve minutes from January 11<sup>th</sup>
- Coby Livingston seconded the motion
- January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes unanimously approved

Jason Gordon – before we move to the next action item we had Lisa McNiven, Governors Council on Disability schedule to give a presentation on Emergency Preparedness; unfortunately, she cannot be here but I or Coby will follow up with her to reschedule for a later date.

**IV. Action Item – Approval of February 8, 2019 Meeting Agenda**

- Coby Livingstone motioned to approve the February 8, 2019 agenda
- Petra Solimon seconded the motion
- February 8, 2019 agenda unanimously approved

**V. Action Item – Discussion: SILC Coordinator position/Consideration of quotes for SILC meetings**

- Tammy Kesler – DVR Contracts Manager handed out confidentiality and standards agreement. Tammy Kesler has read the agreement aloud
- Discussion about the quote – an evaluation committee was formed
- Evaluation Committee – Michael Murphy, Guy Surdi, Tim Carver, Sarah Michaud
- Tim Carver had recused himself as he has given a support letter to R&R Consulting
- Concerns – Michael Murphy SOW proposal goes beyond roles almost like taking on SILC members role and responsibilities/duties. Sarah Michaud – I don't see anything that states or shows how to meet the SOW – it is concerning how R&R Consulting will do the work. Paula Seanez – I am in agreement with Sarah Michaud. Audra Wilson, Michael Murphy and Sarah Michaud indicated they have not had a “working” relationship with R&R Consulting and their Centers for Independent Living.
- Audra Wilson motioned to reject the RFQ
- Paula Seanez seconded the motion
- RFQ unanimously rejected

**VI. Action Item – Discussion: Notification methods for SILC meetings**

- Coby Livingstone wants more social media presence for SILC
- Michael Murphy suggested to hold off on social media until the SILC Coordinator position is filled
- Discussion – cost of advertising in certain newspapers is costly
- Audra Wilson motioned to keep advertisements of SILC meetings and RFQ or RFP's in The New Mexican and Albuquerque Journal and discontinue advertisement in Hobbs
- Paula Seanez seconded the motion
- Advertising in The New Mexican and Albuquerque Journal unanimously approved



- Paula Seanez – we need to establish a subcommittee to review and amend the current SOW for the SILC Coordinator. Paula Seanez motioned to establish committee. Coby Livingstone seconded. Unanimously approved
- The evaluation committee members are: Paula Seanez, Ken Collins, Guy Surdi, Audra Wilson and Coby Livingstone. They will establish a SOW and timeline.
- Guy Surdi wants to set up a conference call for the subcommittee of the SILC Coordinator position.

#### **VII. Action Item – Discussion: Advancement of SILC Projects/SPIL goals**

- Ken Collins motioned to form a Strategic Plan Committee
- Coby Livingstone seconded the motion
- Unanimously approved
- The following members will serve on the Strategic Planning Committee: Ken Collins, Jason Gordon, Petra Solimon, and Rebecca Holland

#### **VIII. SILC Chair Report**

- Jason Gordon – SILC Chair: the 704 PPR Report was completed and submitted. It was more work than expected. Thanks to the DSE/Anna Vigil for her hard work on this report.

#### **IX. SPIL Updates and Public Forums**

- Audra Wilson – the SPIL will remain we will not change anything at this time. DRAD was a success a 3 hour presentation, people from around the state attended. Sarah Michaud will provide a report.
- Sarah Michaud – (briefly) attendees do not know what SILC is, agencies need to work better with rural communities, need access, transportation is the primary need, youth will get lost if not engaged if they are not involved in DVR or IL
- Sarah Michaud – I want to give TJ credit he was conducting I&R on site during DRAD
- Sarah Michaud/Audra Wilson will compile report

#### **X. State Agency Reports/Updates**

- a. DVR (Robert Alirez)** – appointed on January 10, 2019. Testified at LFC we are still on order of selection. I appointed Lucinda Garcia as the acting RSU Deputy Director. Working with SPO Director for rapid hire. April 24-25 tentatively for a Domestic Violence class. Will have an active shooter class in the future. Report available upon request.
- b. New Mexico Commission for the Blind (Greg Trapp)** – Absent
- c. AIVRS Program (Paula Seanez)** – will email report to Anna

#### **XI. CIL Reports/Updates**



- a. **CHOICES – Audra Wilson, Roswell, NM** – We have had an influx of SSI Issues in Roswell. Alan Pines is coming to Roswell – very excited about that
  - b. **New Vistas – Sarah Michaud, Santa Fe, NM** – I will send my report
  - c. **Independent Living Resource Center – Michael Murphy, Albuquerque, NM** – Still providing services in accordance with the core services and procurement services -will send report if needed
  - d. **The Ability Center – Albert Montoya, Las Cruces, NM** – Michael Murphy he just emailed his report to all of us.
  - e. **San Juan Center for Independence – Leslie Wright, Farmington, NM – Tim Carver for Leslie** – emailed report to everyone yesterday. Highlights we work with our local Sheriff's office to intervene we have created ICare cards that say I have a disability I'm nonverbal, emergency contact, turrets, brain injury, etc.
- XII. Presentation by Lisa McNiven, Governors Council on Disability, Emergency Presentation for People with Disabilities – Absent will be rescheduled at a later date.**
- XIII. Set Date for next SILC Meeting**
- Will be in May (dtbd) in Las Cruces
  - Location at The Ability Center (Jason Gordon will reach out to Albert Montoya to arrange)
- XIV. Adjournment**
- Ken Collins motioned to adjourn meeting
  - Petra Solimon seconded motion
  - Meeting adjourned at 1:18 P.M