

# Delaware SILC SPIL GPS Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 4, 2024

**Held via Zoom starting at 10:02 AM**

**Committee Members Present:** Sandra Farina (SPIL GPS Committee Chairperson and SILC Representative), Blake Roberts (DE SILC Secretary and SILC Representative), Lillian Harrison (Executive Director, Independent Resources, INC.), Mary Beth Parker (Community Hub Manager, Independent Resources, INC) and Debbie Bain (public, former DE SILC Executive Director).

## Meeting Commencement

Today's meeting commenced at 10:02 AM.

## Approval of Minutes

Blake made a motion to approve May SPIL GPS Minutes; Lillian seconded. Minutes were approved with no changes, corrections or questions.

## Old Business

### Draft SPIL Analysis

Kathryn sent a draft SPIL to Committee members on May 31, 2024. To date, Blake and Debbie have offered editing feedback about the document to Committee members through email. Blake's suggested edits were recommendations to fix inaccurate numbers in sections 1.3 and 9, as well as one reference to the Designated State Entity in the Executive Summary. Debbie's extensive and significant recommendations were about improving document content overall.

At the beginning of the meeting, Lillian sought confirmation that housing is now a goal on the SPIL; it is. Lillian stated she would conduct a more thorough review of the SPIL document between today and tomorrow. Lillian and Mary will both offer any necessary document editing feedback.

During today's meeting, Debbie pinpointed her recommendation for the financial plan section of the SPIL. Sandra and Kathryn provided the necessary responses. Debbie raised an additional concern (a sentence about Designated State Entity oversight). Kathryn will review Debbie's extensive feedback in more detail. Debbie acknowledged she is now a member of the public, having been the previous DE SILC Executive Director. She offers feedback from her perspective. Debbie also asked whether her feedback could be accepted or not. She thanked everyone for their due diligence on the SPIL. Kathryn said Debbie's feedback is appreciated. Sandra agreed, stating Debbie's experience is helpful. Creating a SPIL is a learning process.

Sandra encouraged the Independent Resources representatives to offer their feedback as soon as possible. The SPIL will be available to the public by June 20. It should be approved by the entire SILC at

their meeting on June 24. Blake asked if the Executive Director of Freedom Center for Independent Living has offered feedback about the draft SPIL. Answer from Sandra: Not yet. Sandra expressed appreciation for all feedback.

## Public Comments

There were no public comments during the public comment period.

## Meeting Adjournment and Next Meeting

Today's meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM. The next SPIL GPS Committee meeting is scheduled to occur on July 2, 2024, at 10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Blake Roberts, DE SILC Secretary