

Web Site and Social Media Committee MEETING Minutes of May 15, 2024 Held via Zoom starting at 10:31 AM

Present: Blake Roberts (Website and Social Media Committee Chairperson and DE SILC Secretary, Elizabeth (Lizzy) Phillips (Committee Vice Chair and DE SILC member), Sandra Farina (DE SILC Chairperson), Arte Mays (DE SILC Vice-Chair) and Kathryn Burritt (DE SILC Executive Director).

Meeting Commencement

The meeting commenced at 10:31 AM.

Meeting Agenda Approval

Lizzy approved the May Agenda; Arte seconded. The agenda was approved with no changes, questions or corrections.

Approval of Minutes

Arte approved the April website and social media Committee Minutes; Sandra seconded. Minutes were approved with no changes, questions or corrections.

Social Media Update (Lizzy and Sandra)

There are currently 200 followers on DE SILC's Facebook page. Lizzy posted an upcoming event on September 28, 2024. It commemorates a Delawarean with disability. Sandra shared on the Facebook page a May 19 event at Dover Air Force Base. People can see airplanes. Sandra also shared information on Facebook page information about the importance of Older Americans Month (from the Administration for Community Living). Kathryn shared on the DE SILC Facebook account information she learned at a Hispanic conference (invitations to join). On May 4, Sandra posted information about an event Freedom Center for Independent Living is having to celebrate their new office. The celebration will occur on June 11 from 2-6 PM. During today's meeting, Sandra encouraged everyone to share with her any information which they think might be worth sharing on DE SILC's Facebook page.

Update on Blake's homework assignment from April Meeting (Blake)

During the April website and social media Committee meeting, Blake said he would review the Disability History Museum website to learn if they have any information about the independent living movement. He reported about this homework assignment during today's meeting. He found two articles about independent living on the Disability History Museum website. Both articles were published in 1988. After review, he decided that one article is worth sharing with the Committee for their consideration.

Blake will share a link to the article after today's meeting adjourns. The Committee members can read the article on their own time. A decision about whether to link to the article will be made at the next Committee meeting. Since the article is 5 pages long, Blake recommended that only a brief summary be provided on DE SILC website, not the full text.

Acronym of the Month (Blake)

Sandra suggested Office of Independent Living Programs as the May Acronym of the Month. Blake agreed to write an article about that acronym.

Organization Spotlight (Blake)

Two Organization Spotlight articles will be published this month. Publication of one article (intended to be published in April) was delayed because pictures could not be obtained. The article planned to be published in June was sent to relevant organization by the Committee Chairperson on May 10. The website and social media Committee is currently waiting for feedback from the organization.

Announcements/Public Comment

There were no public comments because no-one from the public attended today. Blake announced that his current 3-year term on SILC will end on June 11, 2024. At this point in time, he does not plan to seek reappointment by the Governor for an additional 3-year term on DE SILC. Since Blake's SILC term will expire on June 11, Lizzy will become the Chair of this Committee effective the date of next website and social media Committee meeting on June 12.

Meeting Adjournment and Next Meeting

Today's meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM. The next website and social media Committee meeting is scheduled to occur on June 12, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Blake Roberts, DE SILC Secretary