Policy Committee

5/1/14

Present: Joshua Kaufman, Will Miller, Rene Cummins, Keith Greenarch

Absent: Mark Steele, Vicky Smith

Meeting convened: 9:10 am

1. Joshua opened the meeting with a discussion of providing more clarification of the Per Diem policy in anticipation of the upcoming meeting in Greenville, NC in October of this year.
	1. Several ideas were discussed but the decision was made to check with RSA to determine if there were federal regulations that we needed to be aware of. We agreed it would be a good idea to check to see what other states are doing as well.
	2. Will already has contact planned with one or 2 other SILC directors and will pose this question to them as well as shoot an email to RSA for clarification and CC Joshua on that email.
2. Keith noticed while reviewing the Per Diem information currently in place that the stated mileage reimbursement rate was incorrect. It is currently $0.560, not $0.565 as was listed.
	1. There was discussion about ways to ensure this information was kept up to date to ensure proper reimbursement for SILC meetings and other travel.
3. Thursday Training ideas were discussed next.
4. Discussion led to a decision to continue with planned Needs Assessment training Jeff Stevens will provide with additional information that will tie in with the Needs Assessment process.
	1. Specifically the plan is to guide the group through an overview of State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL). To help members take a new look at the SPIL in light of the information presented about the 704 reports during the April training and with the information provided in the first part of the July training.
	2. Rene suggested that the SILC office send a reminder for folks to pull the old SPIL from their Board Manual and print the new SPIL to replace it so that they can better follow along with the training.
	3. Will said that the SILC office would do that as well as remind everyone that the SPIL is available on the SILC website.
5. Next meeting will be June 5, 2014
6. The July meeting will be July 10, 2014 due to the first Thursday being the day before the July 4th Holiday.

Meeting adjourned: 9:55 am