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| **John Bel Edwards**  Governor | **Bambi Polotzola**  Executive Director  Disability Affairs  **Jessica Lewis, MBA**  SILC Program Director |

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**AGENDA – DAY 1**

**1:00 – 1:30** Call to Order – Gale Dean

Roll Call / Determination of Quorum – Roszella Viltz

Introductions – Members and Guests

Mission Statement - Members

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Director's Report and Interagency Agreement - Jessica Lewis

Quarterly Budget Update- Steven Nguyen

**SPIL GOAL# 3: Objective 2: Activity 2: Continue partnering with other CILs and disability-related organizations to foster best practices.**

**1:30 – 2:30** Update from GODA – Bambi Polotzola

Update from LRS – Mark Martin

**2:30 - 2:45** Break

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 1: CILs provide updates at each SILC meeting**

**2:45 – 3:00** Update from @Southwest Louisiana Independence Center (@SLIC) –

Rocky Fuselier

**3:00 – 3:15** Update from New Horizons Independent Living Center (NHILC) - Gale Dean

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 2: Ongoing orientation of SILC members through sharing effective resources and services of each Council member**

**3:15 – 4:00** Presentation by Sharon Geddes, LA Association for the Blind

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**AGENDA – DAY 2**

**9:00 – 9:10** Call to Order

Introductions

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 3: SILC members and SILC Director report on events attended to raise awareness of IL philosophy, programs, initiatives, and Centers for Independent Living**

**9:10 - 9:20** Jessica Lewis and Steven Nguyen report on plans for SILC Congress and NCILConference

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 4: SILC Director update on progress made toward SILC website**

**9:20 - 9:25 Jessica Lewis**

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 5: SILC members provide updates on activities/events occurring in each member's local community that are opportunities for dissemination of IL philosophy and services**

**9:25 - 9:30** Members provide reports on recent activities/events and provide dates/information about upcoming events (past and future events)

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 6: Invitation of post-secondary youth to participate in the SILC meeting and their participation**

**9:30 - 9:45** Markeith Bailey

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 7: Plans for the next annual meeting at a Center for Independent Living**

Will be Included in closing remarks by Jessica Lewis

**SPIL GOAL #1: Objective 1: Activity 8: Partnerships with other advocacy groups by including reports from other groups or presentations from other groups**

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 1: Activity 1: SILC Director will attend the LRC meeting and provide information on SILC activities and report back to the SILC information learned at the LRC meeting.**

**9:45 – 9:55** Report from LRC meeting – Jessica Lewis

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 1: Activity 2: Report by CILs on Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) services**

**9:55 - 10:05 Jay Cochran**

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 1: Activity 3: Creation of a one page fact sheet advocating for funds for employment supports for individuals with disabilities**

**10:05 – 10:15** Rosemary Morales (Employment Update)

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 2: Activity 1: Identify disability issues and organize campaign in favor of individuals with disabilities**

**10:15 – 10:30** Bambi Polotzola

**10:30 - 10:45** Break

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 2: Activity 2: Advocate for improvement on transportation issues that affect individuals with disabilities**

**SPIL GOAL #2: Objective 2: Activity 3: Emergency Preparedness – Collaborate with emergency preparedness entities by requesting speakers from various entities**

**Addressed in previous meetings**

10:45 - 11:15 Amy Dawson

**SPIL GOAL #3: Objective 1: Activity 1: Educating legislators regarding CILs and the services they provide while advocating for legislative appropriation of funds**

**11:15 – 11:20** Update by Rocky Fuselier

**SPIL GOAL #3: Objective1: Activity 2: Exploring opportunities for resource development for activities of the SILC and CILs**

**11:20 – 11:25** Update by Roszella Viltz

**SPIL GOAL #3: Objective 1: Activity 3: Sharing information regarding grants and other income sources among the SILC and CILs**

**SPIL GOAL #3: Objective 2: Activity 1: Participating in webinars, conference calls, and training from national groups**

**11:25 – 11:30** Members report on participation in any recent trainings

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 1: Activity 1: Research and ensure compliance of federal regulations**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 1: Activity 2: Formulate Policy and Procedure manual to comply with federal regulations**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 1: Activity 3: Create job description for SILC staff**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 1: Activity 4: Review Bylaws to ensure compliance with federal regulations and amend with necessary corrections as needed**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 2: Activity 1: Monitor ongoing updates of SILC standards and indicators**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 2: Activity 2: Prepare for the implementation of standards and indicators through training**

**SPIL GOAL #4: Objective 2: Activity 3: Develop evaluation tool or checklist for reporting standards and indicators**

**11:30 – 11:50** Election of Officers

**11:50 – 12:00** Upcoming SILC meeting dates and locations, including future meeting at CIL -

Jessica Lewis

Closing Comments

Adjournment