Executive Committee Meeting – Special Called

Minutes

July 20, 2015

Members present: Benita Lind, Bobby Begley, Mike Freeholm

Guests: Tony Carmack, Danny Perry via phone, Commissioner Deborah Anderson

Staff: Germaine O’Connell

This special Executive Committee was called at the request of Commissioner Deborah Anderson. Commission Anderson wanted to talk to the Executive Committee to discuss the potential move from OVR to her Department for Aging and Independent Living. This is as a result of the recent federal move from the federal Department of Education to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Commission Anderson shared her thoughts regarding this potential move:

* Her Department (DAIL) is under HHS so this is a natural funding stream,
* She has several programs in her Department that dovetail with IL services and the CIL services such as –
  + Brain Injury Trust Fund
  + HART Supported Living
  + State Long Term Ombudsman
  + ADA Program
  + State Guardianship
  + Many Consumer Directed Option Waivers; and
  + Many other aging service programs, and
* The CILs would have several potential funding streams if they fell under her Department.

Commissioner Anderson intends to continue to support the SILC administrative costs and not pull any dollars that currently relate to direct services. In addition she reports that she had no intention to pull any current resources from the CILs. She summarized by saying that she sees the SILC and the CILs as resources to her Department and that our work fits with the philosophy of DAIL.

Committee members then had an opportunity to make comments and ask questions. Next step is to take this discussion to the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting on August 12th for discussion and action.