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Independent Living Council of Wisconsin (ILCW) Executive Committee Teleconference Meeting

February 5, 2026

12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

APPROVED MARCH 5, 2026

Action Items and Motion Items

A. ILCW Executive Committee Meeting Action Items

- 1. Action Item:** ILCW Executive Director will ask Dana Raue to clarify what, if any, role ILCW could play with regards to the Request for Proposals she sent to the Council.

B. ILCW Executive Committee Motion Items

- 1. Motion Item:** Kyle Kleist made a motion to approve the February 5, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting agenda. Sara Eckland seconded the motion. ILCW Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Sara Eckland made a motion to approve the December 8, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting minutes. Kyle Kleist seconded the motion. ILCW Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion Item:** Kyle Kleist made a motion to recommend approval of the October, November, and December, 2025 Financial Statements by the full council. Julie Bergan seconded the motion. ILCW Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the financial statements
- 4. Motion Item:** Kyle Kleist made a motion to adjourn the February 5, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting. Sara Eckland seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 1:07 P.M.

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C. Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions, Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair

ILCW Members Present: Julie Bergan, ILCW Secretary; Sara Eckland, ILCW Independent Living Center (ILC) Representative; Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair; and Kyle Kleist, ILCW Vice Chair.

ILCW Members Absent; Excused (*): LySandra Owens, ILCW Vice Chair Elect.

Guest(s): Lauren Grudzinski; and Stephanie Waite.

ILCW Staff: Tyler Wilcox, ILCW Executive Director.

2. The meeting was called to order at 12:38 P.M. by Mary Jane Grande, ILCW Chair

- The meeting was available via teleconference by calling (312) 626-6799 with meeting ID: 890 9852 6645. The meeting was also available via [Zoom](#).

3. Review and Approve February 5, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

- Kyle Kleist made a motion to approve the February 5, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting agenda. Sara Eckland seconded the motion. ILCW Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

4. Review and Approve December 8, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- Sara Eckland made a motion to approve the December 8, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting minutes. Kyle Kleist seconded the motion. ILCW Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

5. Public Comment on the State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL) or Related to Independent Living Centers and Services

- Link to SPIL (<http://www.livebinders.com/media/get/MjQ3MTE0MDE0>)

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- Ramsey Lee voiced concern regarding the Include, Respect, I Self-Direct (IRIS) program's decision to both use only one Fiscal Employer Agent (FEA) Statewide, and for selecting Public Partnerships, LLC as that FEA.
- Public comment period closed at 12:50 P.M.

6. Review and Discuss ILCW Financial Situation

- ILCW Executive Director reviewed ILCW's current financial standing. Due to the government shutdown the ILCW has only spent money on necessary items.
 - With the current grant awards and funds in the bank, ILCW should be able to remain operational through November, 2026.
- Kyle Kleist made a motion to recommend approval of the October, November, and December, 2025 Financial Statements by the full council. Julie Bergan seconded the motion. ILCW Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the financial statements. See Motion Item 3.
- With the passage of a federal budget for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026, ILCW may be able to loosen some of its travel restrictions.
- Kyle Kleist and Julie Bergan advised waiting for the February 9, 2026 Quarterly meeting, so the full Council could come to a decision.
 - Sara Eckland agreed and added Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) Congress would not be feasible due to timing.
 - Mary Jane Grande added it would be good to send members to IL Days because it is an election year.
- ILCW Executive Director noted that having carry over overage in funds would have been beneficial this year, but an overage could also limit future funding for the council.
 - Kyle Kleist reported that other SILCs frequently have money left over for the following year, however ILCW's advises against having carry over from year to year.

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- ILCW Executive Director discussed an email sent by Dana Raue, Department of Health Services (DHS). It was unclear if direct service was necessary to fulfil the obligations of the grant.
 - ILCW Executive Director will ask Dana Raue to clarify what, if any, role ILCW could play with regards to the Request for Proposals she sent to the Council. See Action Item 1.

7. Review, Discuss, and Approve Parking Lot Items

- There were no parking lot items to discuss following this meeting's agenda.

8. Adjourn

- Kyle Kleist made a motion to adjourn the February 5, 2026 ILCW Executive Committee meeting. Sara Eckland seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 4.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:07 P.M.