Chairperson Anita Olson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. with a quorum present.

**Approve Agenda:** Jessica Andrist made a motion to adjust the agenda by moving the legislative update to 1:00 p.m. and the discussion about the MCIL budget proposal to 9:15 a.m. Larry Lura seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Approve March 14, 2019 Minutes:** Jessica Andrist made the motion to approve the March 14, 2019 minutes as presented. Larry Lura seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Review MCIL Contract Proposal:** Anita Olson and Brad Westerlund reviewed the revised budget proposal submitted by MCIL that moved expenses for the Executive Director to the in-kind services, as opposed to staff. The SILC coordinator is considered an employee of MCIL – but MCIL doesn’t have an supervisory responsibility over the position. MCIL does have responsibility for insurance, worker’s compensation, coordinator travel costs, and SILC member travel. The full contract with MCIL will be reviewed and voted upon in June. Linda Lingen made the motion to approve the proposed budget document making sure that reference to the coordinator position be added regarding mileage reimbursement. Larry Lura seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**May forum:** The council reviewed the agenda for the forum on May 9th and discussed the roles of the council. Gloria Lafriniere discussed the culture of White Earth. Brad Westerlund reminded council there is no gambling during the time of the MNSILC activities. There was discussion about taping and photographing the event. It was noted that photos can be taken at public event. There will a sign announcing photos will be taken. There was discussion about MNSILC purchasing a video camera to record the event.

**Outreach Activities:** Anita Olson reported that she delivered the award letter and certificate for the Marcus Parkwood Theater to Pam at ILICIL for their advocacy group to
delivery to the theater. Tammie Campbell wrote a recruitment letter to the centers to encourage youth to attend a SILC meeting and recruit youth to be part of a statewide effort for youth. At Larry Lura’s request, the Outreach Committee talked about creating a presentation for Augustana Home.

**SPIL** – Brad Westerlund and Jo Erbes will send a notice to Regina Bly, ACL, that MNSILC will present a technical amendment for the gap year. The only change to the current SPIL will be in the part B funds that increased and will be reflected in the expenditure to centers. The plan is to have draft GAP year SPIL ready for approval by the council at the May meeting and to send it to ACL in early June.

**Training: Roberts Rules of Order** – postpone until Mary Koep is present.

**Legislative Update by Jesse Bethke Gomez** – Jesse Bethke Gomez was not available. Brad Westerlund reported on the request for funding by MACIL which is significantly less than the original request.

**Announcements** – Governor will appoint new members by June 30, 2019; website shows open posts until such time as the appointments are made; have 4 additional interviews and are aware of two additional people who are considering applying.

Dan Zimmer, Director of the Quality Council will attend the June meeting to discuss their mission. The Quality Council is a policy driven council with county representation that looks at quality indicators on transportation, housing and other services for people with disabilities.

A notice of the Minute Taker was distributed for member to share and distribute as appropriate.

**Public Comments** – Attending NCIL– Gloria, Linda, Anita, Jo, Jessica; Age and Disability Odyssey is July 31 to August 1; let Jo know if you want to attend; SILC will need to approve attendance in order for members to receive per diem to staff a booth. The council reviewed 2CRF 200.421 pertaining to the use of federal funds for advertising funds. MNSILC could ask MACIL to fund the purchase pens or sticky notes or council members could make donations for such purchases.

Anita discussed various federal legislative proposals and the rate of unemployment among people with disabilities in comparison to the unemployment rate among people without disabilities.

**Reports:**

**Executive** – no report

**Finance** – The Chair made a recommendation that MNSILC expend up to 4350 to purchase a Sony video camera, with tripod, carrying case, light and additional accessories. Larry Lura seconded the recommendation. The motion passed.

**Network of Centers** – Anita and Jo created a letter that will be sent to CIL’s identifying the criteria for creating a logo and name for the IL Network. Centers will seek submissions and each center will submit a suggestion to the SILC. The goal is that the SILC and CIL’s will select a logo by July 1st. The Network of Centers discussed the type of recognition that MNSILC could be giving. Jessica Andrist suggested looking at the criteria for the MN Council of Nonprofits or Politics in MN awards.
Anita Olson, Chair encouraged MNSILC to nominate Jeff Bangsberg for the NCIL advocacy award. Linda Lingen seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion passed.

**Outreach** – There was discussion about the need to formulate a process to gather information from the centers on a quarterly basis regarding their outcomes related to Part B funds. It was also suggested that staff from the centers be sought to serve on the Outreach or Network of Centers Committees.

**Reports** – Hope to bring a draft to the May meeting. It was suggested that planning the next annual report begin in June. There was a discussion about

**SRC –G Report** – SF2539 – 245D providers are asking for additional funding for when people fail in competitive employment. HF1968/SF 2004 – establishes that in order to qualify for the Connect 700 Club the individual must be eligible for VR services. Anita noted that the order of selection is closed except for category 1 and category 1 has 2200 people on the waiting list; which is at risk of being closed. Annette shared her experience with hiring people in the connect 700 program.

**Olmstead** – Tammie reported there are new council members. Staff from the MN Housing and Finance is the new chair. In 2017 DHS was authorized to conduct a summary on waived transportation rates; new statewide waived guidelines were implemented over a 4-year period and there are problems with the recommendations. They are considering an increase in use of social media for videos.

**Adjournment**: Having completed the agenda the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tammie Campbell, Secretary

Recorded by Jo Erbes, Coordinator