



**January 26, 2026**  
**NASILC Board of Directors**  
**12:00 p.m. CST via ZOOM**

**Present:**

Officers			
Chair – Brooke Wilson (OR)	x	Secretary – Gloria Garton (NC)	X
Vice Chair – Mel Leviton (ID)	X	Region Rep Chair – Carrie England (CA)	x
Treasurer – Jeremy Morris (OH)	x		
Region Representatives			
<b>Region 1 – Aliza Levine (MA)</b>		<b>Region 6 – Janet Sharkis (TX)</b>	
Alt: Molly Cole (CT)	X	Alt: Bambi Polotzola (LA)	x
<b>Region 2 – Amy Wink (NY)</b>		<b>Region 7 – Caleb Primrose (IA)</b>	x
Alt: Vacant		Alt: Karen Gridley (MO)	x
<b>Region 3 – Kathryn Burritt (DE)</b>		<b>Region 8 – Vacant</b>	
Alt: Vacant		Alt:	
<b>Region 4 – Edward Mitchell (TN)</b>	x	<b>Region 9 – Carrie England (CA)</b>	x
Alt: Megan Kuhlwein (KY)	x	Alt: Mellie Adu (AZ)	x
<b>Region 5 – Tyler Wilcox (WI)</b>		<b>Region 10 – Jami Davis (ID)</b>	x
Alt: Steve Locke (MI)		Alt: Michael Christian (AK)	
GUESTS			
Rachel Victory - KY		Lillian DeJean -LA	
Esther Durante - GA			
Shelly Richardson - IL			
Kara Ayers - OH			

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 12:03 CST by Brooke Wilson-Chair.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was conducted, and those present are listed in the table above. This also included guests.

**Member Comment:** None

**Approval of October 27, 2025, minutes:**

Motion by: Jami Davis

Seconded by: Mellie Adu

Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report: Jeremy Morris**

**Year-to-Date Financial Report through December 31, 2025:** Jeremy presented a high-level overview of the NASILC's current financial status for the full 2025 Fiscal Year. The finance report was emailed to members and is posted on the NASILC website.

- Revenue – we raised \$107,193.00 in conference income, grants, and membership fees.
- Operating Expenses \$62,389 – includes conference and monthly-operating expenses
- Net Income - \$44,804

Balance Sheet:

Total Amount of Cash in Checking, Savings, PayPal: \$149,674

\*Upcoming Conference Expenses will draw against this total.

SILC Congress Income as of 12.31.25 = \$29,500

990 will be ready by SILC Congress

- *Motion:* To approve the financial report as presented was made by Carrie England, seconded by Caleb Primrose.  
There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously

## **Committee Reports:**

### **By-laws – Mel Leviton, Chair**

Mel Leviton reported there have been no recent meetings. The next meeting will review proposed changes from the membership and nominations committee.

### **Advocacy and National Strategy Committee – Gloria Garton, Chair**

Gloria reported that the committee has met several times since October, and their last meeting was January 6<sup>th</sup>. The committee has completed a draft discussion guide for SILCs to use when discussing IL Philosophy with their Council. Some additional edits were suggested at the last meeting. Gloria will make the updates and share them with the committee before the next meeting.

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 3:30 PM EST.

### **Membership/Nominations Committee – Mellie Adu, Chair**

Mellie reminded everyone that the Call for Nominations for Vice-Chair, Secretary, Odd-numbered Regional Reps, and Region 8 is open through February 20<sup>th</sup>.

The committee has been working on improving the nomination and election process and has provided its suggestions to the By-Laws committee for further discussion. We welcome Esther Durante to the committee. The committee meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 11:00 AM MT.

Brooke asked that Board Members not running for election help review the nominations received. Elections will take place on March 18<sup>th</sup> at SILC Congress.

### **2026 SILC Congress Update, Jami Davis, Chair**

Jami announced that regular registration rates for SILC Congress have been extended to February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

A draft Congress Agenda has been posted on the NASILC website and shared via email.

If you have booked a room but have not paid your registration fee, please do so as soon as possible. Remember to book your hotel reservations soon. Last year, rooms sold out early, and they have already sold out once this year.

## **Regional Representative Update – Carrie England, Chair**

Their last meeting was canceled due to conflicts among several committee members. An email reminder was sent out about the upcoming Regional Representative elections for odd-numbered Regions and the Region 8 vacancy. Additional information will go out closer to SILC Congress about state sharing.

## **Partner Updates- Brooke Wilson**

The monthly IL TTA sessions, called SILC Connections, are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

An email was sent requesting feedback from SILCs about ILTTA offering evening and weekend training to increase participation from working members and accommodate various time zones. Several individuals commented that late afternoons and evenings would have a better response than weekends.

Brooke shared that there will not be a National Panel update at SILC Congress this year since meetings and emails are shared regularly. The ILTTA Center will provide a SILC 101 pre-conference, as well as SILC Autonomy and a Needs Assessment session. The SILC Congress sessions this year are exciting and informative.

The HSRI Grassroots project started in November. Gloria shared several links in the chat for public comment feedback from the states of Iowa, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, and Missouri.

## **General Updates-**

Bambi Polotzola (LA) introduced her new Youth Transition Coordinator, Lillian DeJean.

Kara Ayers introduced herself as Chair of Ohio SILC.

Megan Coleman (KY) introduced her new Youth Transition Coordinator, Rachel Victory.

## **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 1:09 CST

Respectfully submitted by:

Gloria Garton, NASILC Secretary

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_