



Self Advocates in Leadership

SAIL UPDATE

April, 2017

No June SAIL Meeting!
It is during the Community Summit



The 2017 legislative session is coming to an end. Many of the bills we worked on have passed! Some highlights include HB 1402 about Guardian isolation, HB 1258 about People w/disabilities at an accident and police training, and HB 2037 about Higher education obstacles.

We are still waiting on other bills and for the budget to be finalized.



At the next meeting in July we will talk about issues to look at next year and will have two legislators at our meeting! At the May meeting we will start brainstorming ideas!

The May 2017 meeting will include:

- ◆ Get Healthy with Sandy!
- ◆ Legislative update
- ◆ Plans for next session



A Note from the Chairs

Hello SAIL Members,

Happy Spring to all of you. We are looking forward to our next meeting. We encourage you to bring a friend to the next meeting! While the legislative session was hard we were strong in our efforts! Now we must prepare for next year.

Eric Matthes, Chair of SAIL

Ivanova Smith, Co-Chair of SAIL

notes from the last SAIL meeting.

Date: 4/12/2016

Introductions

- ◆ Legislative updates: We went over the bills of interest. To view them visit:

http://arcwa.org/resources/Bills_of_Interest_4-11-17.pdf

We talked about how the session ends April 23rd. The budget has not been finalized so the legislators will be going into a special session.

- ◆ National issues updated– We played a video about why Medicaid matters. It can be viewed at:

<http://informingfamilies.org/medicaid-is-our-lifeline/>

Currently the Affordable Care Act (also known as Obamacare) is still in place. If they pass a new health care plan it will likely have major cuts to Medicaid which helps fund DDA services.

- ◆ Person Centered Planning- Cheryl and Ivanova have been working on creating documents about person centered planning. They shared what they have been creating, and got input from the group.
- ◆ Community Summit– We talked about the Community Summit and the SAIL presentation. SAIL is going to present about employment for people with disabilities. We are going to be discussing accommodations, how to disclose your disability, and sub minimum wage.
- ◆ Community Update– Folks talked about the work they have been doing.
- ◆ Get healthy with Eric: Eric talked about eating health and what he does when he is hungry.