# September 5, 2025, SRC Leadership Meeting

- Members Present: Megan Mutti (Vice-Chair), Jonathan Becker
- Support Present: Tereta Love-Rutherford, Deborah Buchanan, Aimee Julian, Antonio Gomez
- Agenda:
    - Updates:
        - Erin Compton – Accepted Chair Position
        - Appointments – Review Roster
        - Orientation and Policy Manual: Edits and Next Steps – https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ojeBvjK8rBMAW4qpFGFxqQY w48GWTkO8TotkPPbQ/edit?pli=1&tab=t.0
    - Review SRC Fall Quarterly Meeting Agenda
- Action Items:
    - **Gomez:** Update roster and post to website.
    - **Gomez:** Confirm that SRC ExCom cadence works for Compton.
    - **Julian:** Circle back to Branch re appointment.
    - **Becker:** Reach out to Matt Jannings (BCI Boone Center Inc.) re member-at-large position. Love-Rutherford to follow up.
- Minutes:
    - Jonathan Becker announced that he will be leaving the SRC, as he will not be accepting his new position. He will write a formal letter of resignation. Those present wished him well on his future ventures.
    - Antonio Gomez presented a few updates on behalf of Barb Hobrock.

- As previously discussed, Alici McNeal was not eligible for reappointment to the SRC. Furthermore, as outlined in Statute 20 ILCS 5/5-550 Illinois General Assembly - 20 ILCS 5/ Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (General Provisions and Departments of State Government), the chair of the SRC and a majority of membership must be persons with a disability. As previously discussed, this would further disqualify McNeal as chair. Gomez, Tereta Love-Rutherford, Deb Buchanan, and Aimee Julian met with Barb Hobrock to discuss who qualifies for chair under these parameters. Should a member not accept the position, Megan Mutti, as Vice-Chair, could act as chair for the meeting, or a chair could be elected for the duration of the meeting. That should be the first item on the agenda.
- From the above conversation, it was determined that Erin Compton was eligible as chair. Love-Rutherford reached out to her, and Compton accepted, pending appointment by the SRC. Love-Rutherford indicated that DRS would support Compton with whatever she needed for the role.
- After hearing the update, the ExCom welcomed Compton as tentative chair. Gomez indicated that her schedule did not align with the first ExCom meeting, but that if adjustments needed to be made to the cadence, they would conform to her schedule.
- Next, Gomez reviewed the roster. Hobrock sent any letters of appointment that she had available. They have been stored on the SRC Teams.
- Those present gave a status update regarding pending appointments. The roster was finalized ahead of the SRC Quarterly.
- Gomez, relaying the support team's conversation with Hobrock, said that per the Governor's Office (GO), appointments are taking six months on average. Per that timeline, their directive has been for current members to continue their work as they

are being reappointed. If there is an audit, that would incur a finding, but showing that the appointment process is being followed would avoid any penalty associated.

- Mutti added that she was in the process of getting her application notarized.
- Julian indicated that there is a question regarding Kevin Irvine. Currently, he is not appointed, so he cannot vote. It is unclear whether the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board (IWIB) can appoint him as their representative, or if that necessitates GO process.
- Further, Julian indicated that, per the statute, though Dir. Rahnee Patrick's appointment is active, she is a non-voting member, as she is ex officio.
- Becker indicated that Matt Jannings (BCI Boone Center Inc.) would make a good member-at-large. He will reach out.
- Gomez transitioned to talk about the Orientation and Policy Manual. The manual was updated in 2023. Hobrock had indicated that some changes could be made to streamline the process, so she is reviewing the 2023 version and leaving comments for ExCom review. Hobrock had initially recommended two changes.
- Hobrock's first suggested change was to eliminate the position of Fiscal Officer (as the SRC does not generally handle fiscal matters), Member-at-Large, and Secretary (as the DRS liaison handles those matters). It appears, in the bylaws, that it was to ensure that 5 members are on the ExCom. That could be made flexible so that eligible members can join without the need for a formal title. Mutti indicated that she would prefer to keep the Member-at-Large, but that otherwise she agrees with Hobrock. Becker made no comment.

- Hobrock's second suggestion was to eliminate the Member Engagement Committee. Currently, it serves two functions: onboard new members and seek to add members. Compton had stepped down as chair of that committee at the previous SRC quarterly. It would be useful to have a body dedicated to onboarding, but seeking out new members is irrelevant, as that is the GO's function.
- Gomez asked if any of the committees met outside of the quarterly. Mutti indicated that when she first started, they did, but that she wasn't aware of them meeting anytime in the last year.
- Given the above, Mutti and Becker opted to merge the Orientation and Member Engagement committees into one: New Member Engagement and Support.
- This new committee would be introduced at the upcoming SRC Quarterly. Julian recommended that Hobrock introduce that section and that she generally introduce herself at the quarterly. That item was added to the agenda.
- During the interim between Fall and Winter Quarterly, the manual will be updated, to be ratified in December.
- The ExCom reviewed the amended agenda. A few copy edits were suggested. The agenda was finalized.
- The meeting was adjourned.