

THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: Ceylane Meyers-Ruff Of Myer of

SUBJECT: Appointment to the New York State Independent Living

Council, Inc.

DATE: April 1, 2021

AUTHORIZATION(S): /3c/ly/lon-

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent)

Should the Board of Regents approve the proposed appointment of a member to New York State Independent Living Council, Inc. (NYSILC)?

Reason(s) for Consideration

The 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act require the Board of Regents to appoint members to the New York State Independent Living Council, Inc.

Proposed Handling

This item will come before the Full Board for action at its April 2021 meeting.

Procedural History

Each year, as vacancies occur, the Board of Regents approves recommendations to fill such vacancies.

Background Information

Information on the proposed appointee is noted in Attachment 1 and a list of the entire NYSILC is noted in Attachment 2.

Related Regent's Items

December 2020

http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1220brca1.pdf

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED: That Meghan Parker be appointed for a three-year term beginning January 29, 2021 and ending December 31, 2023.

<u>Timetable for Implementation</u>

Upon approval by the Board of Regents of the recommended candidate, appointment will go into effect January 29, 2021.

New York State Independent Living Council, Inc. (New Appointment for term January 29, 2021 to December 31, 2023.)

ACCES is recommending one new appointment resulting from one member resigning off the council.

Meghan Parker 22 Buckingham Drive Albany, NY 12208 (914) 417-8651 mparker@ilny.org

- Has over 16 years of experience advocating for individuals with disabilities, including seven years as the Director of Advocacy of the New York Association on Independent Living (NYAIL) where she coordinates the Statewide System Advocacy Network (SSAN) a statewide network of advocates working toward the full inclusion of people with disabilities into all areas of community life in New York State.
- Leadership experience includes managing public policy subcommittees, training and supervising program staff, and organizing networks of grassroots volunteers with disabilities.

New York State Independent Living Council, Inc. (Term Expirations)

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