



Self Advocates in Leadership

SAIL UPDATE

October, 2015

SAIL is finalizing our 2016 Legislative agenda! The agenda will be including, accessible and affordable housing, ending subminimum wage, updating the states accessible icon, closing the state run DD institutions and improving community support, improving training for care providers,

SAVE THE DATE!

Disabilities Legislative Reception

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Columbia Room of the Legislative Building

October 2015 meeting will include:

- ◆ Discussions about 2016 Advocacy Days
- ◆ Discussion about next years legislative session agenda
- ◆ Debriefing the People First Convention
- ◆ And much more!



A Note from the Chair

Hello Sail Members!

We are proud to have been serving for the People First of Washington and are extremely happy to have sworn in our new successors. The new President is Tiras Smith, Vice President is Shane Cody Fairweather, the new secretary is Karlina Hall, and the new the new treasurer is Danny Homes. We wish you the best, and know you will do a good job. See you in October, safe travels!

Anthony L. Nash II, Chair of SAIL Eric Matthes, Co-Chair of SAIL

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September SAIL meeting 2015

Location: SeaTac Red Lion.

Introductions

Legislative agenda: we talked about the bills we want passed. The legislators that we been in contact with have agreed to sponsor our bills. One legislators was unsure on getting rid of 1909 sterilization law because connection with sexual offence. With last bill about changes the logo for accessible parking which as person pushing own wheelchair. Problem with it is it could offend people that use wheelchair that can't push own wheelchair. We still going to focus on getting rid of institutions. Another topic we add is more provider training. Having self-advocates be part of training. Expending DDA eligibility, education on sex for all students. Transportation improvement. Reform community protection. Found jobs for transition students. Dental and vision be paid for by Medicaid. Affordable accessible housing near transit. Provider training got most votes, and second was getting affordable accessible housing and help people with disability who struggle with homeless. Legislative brochure, we going to have picture from advocacy day on back and is thinking of adding group picture in front. Have closing institutions on middle pages was core issue to focus on. On left side bill about giving women who did prenatal testing accurate information about Downs's syndrome.

Preparation for people first convention presentation. Mike's video and the ADA video we will be in the presentations. Eric, Brittany, Robert, Anthony and Ivanova well be the presenters. We are talking about ADA and Olmstead and the connection it has with proclamation.

Community updates: Disability reception on January 20 5:30-7:30 pm. Advocacy day be right before. Anthony, Teresa, and Ivanova Smith. Became special Olympic ambassadors.