

RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL OF THE DALLAS AREA

April 10, 2013

Minutes

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Allen Peden	Demetria Bryan	Nell Gaither
Ben Martinez, VICE CHAIR	Gregg Gunter, CHAIR	Robert Compton
Brent Pimentel	Helen Goldenberg	Sonny Blake
Cora Giddens	Jai Makokha	Virginia Franco
David Saenz	Jose Raymundo	
Del Wilson	Joyce Tapley	

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Anthony Bolden	Emily Marks	Osiris Wade
Charles Griffith	Stacie Greskowiak	Lori Davidson
Patrick Brown		

RWPC STAFF PRESENT

Felton Stevens, Jr., RWPC Manager	Crystal Flores, RWPC Planner	Jennifer Kendrick, RWPC Coordinator
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GRANTS MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT

Glenda Blackmon-Johnson, Program Monitor	Angi Jones, Quality Assurance Advisor
Brenda Dennis, Quality Assurance Administrator	Lynn Smith Clay

OTHERS PRESENT

Helen Zimba, AHF	Roger Wedell, Legal Hospice of Texas
Kendal Richardson, CCC member	Ron Aldridge, Health Services of North Texas
Auntjuan Wiley, AIDS Walk South Dallas County	Marcos Alcorn, TX/OK AETC
Kris Dance, Dallas County HOPWA	Steven Pace, AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc.
Gary Benecke, RCD	Sylvia Moreno, Dallas County Hospital District
Elaine Jackson, TWU Research	Rachel Sandoval, Dental Health Programs
Barbara Neal, TWU Research	David Thomas, Open Arms, Inc./ Bryan's House
Otis Harris Jr., UTSW/DFAN	Jennifer Hurn, Resource Center Dallas
James Lester, RCD	John Carlo, AIDS Arms, Inc.
Melissa Grove, Legacy Counseling	
Kevin Greene, Community Leader	

- I. Call to Order:** Chairperson Gregg Gunter called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- II. Certification of Quorum:** Quorum was established and certified by Chairperson Gregg Gunter.
- III. Introductions/Announcements:**

The following introductions & announcements were made:

- a. Gregg Gunter announced that the 2nd Quarter Newsletter is available for distribution.
- b. Gregg Gunter announced that the RWPC will be hosting a webinar covering the Reauthorization of Ryan White on April 16, 2013 from 1:00pm-2:00pm.
- c. Ben Martinez announced that the CCC will be hosting a Community forum titled "HIV/STD Co-infections" on Thursday April 25, 2013.
- d. Marcos Alcorn announced that the Texas/Oklahoma AIDS Education and Training Center will be hosting a Women and HIV International Clinical Conference in Dallas on May 3, 2013 from 9:00a-4:30p and May 4, 2013 from 9:00a-3:00p. Registration fees and Agenda can be found on the TX/OKC AIDS Education and Training Center website.
- e. Marcos Alcorn announced that the Texas/Oklahoma AIDS Education and Training Center are offering HIV Preceptorships. Interested parties should contact Marcos Alcorn at marcos.alcorn@phhs.org.
- f. Ben Martinez announced that the Prevention Justice Alliance published an article alerting the HIV Community that a Kansas Bill has been passed that would allow HIV positive individuals to be quarantined as well as allow the involuntary testing of an individual suspected of exposing others via reported occupational hazards. More information can be found at <http://www.preventionjustice.org/category/criminalization/> . You can also get involved by voicing your concerns to kansas-kdhe-leg@hivlawandpolicy.org.

- g. Auntjuan Wiley presented DCHHS Director, Zachery Thompson with a plaque in honor of his support for the AIDS Walk South Dallas by serving as the Community ambassador and leading the walk.
- h. Auntjuan Wiley presented Otis Harris Jr. was presented with a plaque in honor of his support for the AIDS Walk South Dallas by serving as the Youth ambassador.

IV. Approval of the March 13, 2013 Minutes: *Cora Giddens made a motion to accept the minutes. Sonny Blake seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

V. Administrative Agency Report: There was no report from the Administrative Agency.

VI. Committee Reports:

A. Executive/Nominations Committee (Chair Gregg Gunter):

1. Executive Committee met on April 3, 2013. The Committee approved the minutes, and then proceeded to discuss and address RWPC Committee attendance issues. Felton announced that Aurelio Rodriguez had submitted a letter of resignation and that his last day would be Friday, April 5, 2013. Crystal stated that she is in the process of working on an online training for new members. As soon as the training is up and running, she would present the final product to the executive committee. The committee also discussed the Comprehensive Plan updates (specifics can be found in committee reports below). The committee briefly discussed upcoming presentations in the Training calendar. Gregg Gunter, RWPC Chair reported that he would like to develop a leadership retreat for individuals that may be interested in taking on leadership roles in the RWPC and/or its standing committees. The committee reports were given with a motion being brought forth from the Planning and Priorities Committee (*Lionel made a motion to approve the Planning and Priorities recommendation to remove Housing Based Case Management from the MAI list of fundable service categories, and to add Medical Transportation and Food Bank as replacements and to revisiting the Housing Based Case Management during the next FY for any funding changes. Ben seconded the motion. The motion passed with 1 abstention*).

The RWPC Chair then called for the dissolution of the Care Coordination Ad Hoc Committee. The committee members will be invited to the next RWPC meeting and be presented with certificates to honor their service.

The minutes to the RWPC was unanimously approved. (*Brent Pimentel-motion/ Lionel Hillard- seconded*) The committee meeting adjourned.

2. Nominations Committee met on April 3, 2013 immediately following the Executive meeting. Quorum was certified, announcements were made and the minutes from the last meeting were approved. Three candidates were interviewed. The committee voted on their recommendations/appointments of:

- i. Lionel Hillard made a motion to recommend Ronald Stinson for consideration to the County Judge's office for membership on the Ryan White Planning Council. Kyle Talkington seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 abstentions.
- ii. Brent Pimentel made a motion to recommend Marcos Alcorn for consideration to the County Judge's office for membership on the Ryan White Planning Council. Lionel Hillard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- iii. Kyle Talkington made a motion to recommend Kevin Greene for consideration to the County Judge's office for membership on the Ryan White Planning Council. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned.

B. Allocations Committee: No Report

- C. **Planning and Priorities Committee:** The Planning and Priorities Committee meeting was held on March 20, 2013. Quorum was established, announcements were made and the minutes were approved. Felton Stevens did a presentation on the Priority Setting Process. He briefly discussed the parts of the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act, Epidemiological Data, and Data sources such as the 2010 Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Utilization Data, and Expenditures. Felton Stevens then notified the committee that the MAI Priority Setting Ballot for Support Services previously had two categories: Case management (Non-Medical) and Housing Based Case Management. After a review of the service categories under MAI, it was discovered that Housing Based case management is already funded under State Services. Felton Stevens recommended that the Committee remove Housing Based Case Management from the MAI Support Services Ballot. Felton stated that he and Crystal Flores researched which service categories would be a feasible replacement for Housing Based Case Management. They found based on data, client utilization, and previous rankings that Medical Transportation and Food Bank could be used to replace Housing Based Case Management. Sonny Blake made a motion to remove Housing Based Case Management off of the MAI Support Services Ballot. Brent Pimentel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Sonny Blake made a motion to add Medical Transportation and Food Bank to the MAI Support Services ballot. The motion passed unanimously. Next, Crystal Flores shared the status of the community assessment that was sent to funded and non-funded providers and consumers. The office of Support sent out approximately 45 surveys and 14 were returned. Crystal stated that the deadline for returning the surveys would be extended until April 12, 2013 to allow enough time to receive more responses. Gregg Gunter announced that at a Service Providers meeting he attended, he was approached by several individuals that received the community assessment requesting more information about the established Peer Navigation Programs referenced in the cover letter. Crystal stated that she would revise the cover letter to further explain the intent and purpose of the survey and send the new copy to the service providers. The meeting adjourned. ***Lionel made a motion to approve the Planning and Priorities recommendation to remove Housing Based Case Management from the MAI list of fundable service categories, and to add Medical Transportation and Food Bank as replacements and to revisiting the Housing Based Case Management during the next FY for any funding changes. Ben seconded the motion. The motion passed with 1 abstention.***
- D. **Evaluation Committee:** The Evaluation committee met on March 26, 2013. Quorum was established, announcements were made and the previous month's minutes were approved. Del reviewed the Comprehensive Plan Objective between Ryan White funded and non-funded providers, for the Evaluation Committee (Developing a plan and outcome for enhancing collaborations with three target areas: Housing, Transportation, and Oral Health/Dental). Housing was discussed at the March meeting, Transportation will be discussed at the April committee meeting, and Oral Health/Dental services will be discussed at the May meeting. Gregg Gunter made a suggestion to invite Mary Grinsfelder to the April Evaluation meeting so that she could do a brief presentation on the "Community Transportation Network". Del reminded the committee that they invited Lori Davidson, Helena Davidson and Melissa Grove to speak on collaborative opportunities with Housing. Lori Davidson briefly discussed the executive summary of the Integrated HIV/AIDS Housing Plan Strategy as well as presented a plan for enhanced collaborations between the RWPC and Legacy's Homebase for Housing Program. Next, Melissa Grove briefly provided the background, purpose, goals and recent accomplishments of the Home Base for Housing program. Melissa also briefly discussed plans for a Housing Base Training Module to be implemented on the new Homebase for Housing website. Next Helena Davidson briefly discussed the process involved in intake/ qualifying for the Homebase for Housing Program. Helena then unveiled the new Home Base for Housing website to the committee. The meeting adjourned.
- E. **Consumer Council Committee:** The Consumer Council Committee met on March 28, 2013. Quorum was established, announcements were made and the previous month's minutes were approved. Committee reports were given. The committee then came to a consensus on which flyer to use for the CCC STD/HIV Co-Infections Forum. Ben Martinez then updated the committee on the status of the next CCC forum (HIV and Aging). The forum is on June 26th and will take place at Parkland's Amelia Court Professional Building Auditorium from 2-4. Felton Stevens did a presentation on the Priority Setting Process. He briefly discussed the parts of the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act, Epidemiological Data, and Data sources such as the 2010 Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Utilization Data, and Expenditures. The committee decided to meet on April 17, 2013 at 12:00pm to rank and submit their ballot. The meeting adjourned.

VII. HIV Service Providers Council (SPC) Report: Ben Martinez provided the report in the absence of Lori Davidson. The HIV Service Provider Council met on Monday, March 18, at AIDS Arms. Gregg Gunter, Chair of Ryan White Planning Council, was our guest speaker. He covered current activities of the Council. The discussion focused mostly on the upcoming development and implementation of a Peer Navigation program. Also, Lori Davidson was named the new Chairperson/Secretary. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 15, here in Dallas County building on the 4th floor.

VIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Kendrick, RWPC Coordinator

Date

Draft Certified by:

Felton Stevens Jr., RWPC Manager

Date

Final Approval by:

Gregg Gunter, CHAIRPERSON
Ben Martinez, VICE CHAIRPERSON
Cora Giddens, VICE CHAIRPERSON

Date

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Wednesday, May 8, 2013 9:00 a.m.
Hickman Conference Room, 2nd floor
Dallas County Health and Human Services Building
2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX