



**RYAN WHITE CARE COUNCIL
MEMBERSHIP, NOMINATIONS, RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING COMMITTEE
WEST TAMPA NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER – TAMPA
MONDAY, JULY 21, 2008
12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Michael Amidei, Chair, at 12:35 p.m.
- ATTENDANCE** Members Present: Michael Amidei, Martin Clemmons, John Melartin, Aritus Miller, Bob Reynolds, Bill Thomas
Members Absent: Ramon Benitez, Armando Carrasco, Michele Carrasco, David Hasiba, Janet Kitchen,
Guests Present:
Grantee Staff Present: Aubrey Arnold
Health Councils Staff Present: Nicole Brown
- CHANGES TO AGENDA** Michael added a discussion on the election of a new Membership Chair.
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** The minutes for June 16, 2008 were approved (**M:** Clemmons, **S:** Thomas) with 6 yes votes, 0 no votes and 0 abstentions.
- CARE COUNCIL REPORT** The Care Council approved the slate of new members and allocated unbid Part A funds.
- REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED** Staff reported on the status of two current applications. One application is in the process of being scored and having an interview set up. The other applicant has had an interview and their application scored satisfactorily. This applicant will represent Hardee County, a county with an open seat on the Care Council. The following motion was passed: (**M:** Clemmons **S:** Thomas, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).
- MOTION 7/08 - 01** **THAT LAUREEN HUSBAND BE RECOMMENDED FOR VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE CARE COUNCIL.**

BYLAWS REVIEW Members decided against discussing the bylaws until more members of the Committee are present. The following motion was passed: (**M:** Thomas **S:** Clemmons, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions).

MOTION 7/08 - 02 THAT A REVIEW OF THE BYLAWS BE TABLED.

RECRUITMENT VIDEO Members and staff shared that they could not find old materials to use as an outline for a new recruitment video. If the committee would like to pursue creating a recruitment video they will have to start with original material.

OCTOBER RETREAT Members discussed the topics they would like to have on the agenda for the October half day member's retreat. Some topic suggestions were Hepatitis C as a co-morbidity, current MAI (Minority AIDS Initiative) information and a clinical update. Members decided on having two panel presentations, one on Hepatitis C and a clinical update. The committee would like there to be a panel of presenters for each of these presentations with a client view represented.

CHAIR ELECTION Michael reminded members that at the September meeting the Membership Committee will elect their chair and co-chair for the upcoming program year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ COMMUNITY CONCERNS A recruitment display board with Care Council information is currently in ASAP's (AIDS Service Association of Pinellas) lobby. ASAP also distributed Care Council information at their St. Pete Pride booth that was visited by about 5,000 people.

Members shared information on a couple of back to school events. One will be at Great Expectations and FFAN (Florida Families AIDS Network) will also be distributing school supplies and clothing to clients.

It was announced that Hernando County now has a free clinic open one day a week, Saturday.

Michael shared information on "Project Connect". This free event will be on September 27th at the Harborview center in Clearwater from 9:00am – 3:30pm. There will be food, medical and dental services, acupuncture, glasses, HIV and Hepatitis testing, hair cuts and clothing available to attendees. He said that this event is open to all needy in the area.

Bill made an appeal for people to get involved with the Housing Coalition. He said that there are currently few consumers involved and the group is still working to use the data collected last year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Membership Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.