

Houston Ryan White Planning Council

Speakers Bureau Workgroup

10:00 am, Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Meeting Location: 2223 W. Loop South, Room 240, Houston, Texas 77027

Agenda

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| I. | Call to Order | Skeet Boyle and
Steven Vargas, Co-chairs |
| | A. Welcome | |
| | B. Moment of Reflection | |
| | C. Adoption of the Agenda | |
| | D. Approval of the Minutes | |
| II. | Review Draft Letter for December Mail Out | Amber Harbolt,
Office of Support |
| III. | Identify Areas of Focus for 2018 | |
| IV. | Announcements | Skeet Boyle
Steven Vargas, Co-chairs |
| | a. 2018 Meetings: | |
| | April 10th, 2018 – 10 a.m. | |
| | August 14th, 2018 – 10 a.m. | |
| | December 11th, 2018 – 10 a.m. | |
| V. | Adjourn | |

Houston Area HIV Services Ryan White Planning Council

Speakers Bureau Workgroup

10:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 15, 2017

2223 West Loop South, Room 240, Houston, TX 77027

Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ardry Skeet Boyle, Co-Chair
Pamela Chambers
Rodney Mills
Teresa Pruitt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Amana Turner, excused
Arlene Johnson
Bianca Burley
Carol Suazo
Curtis Bellard
Denis Kelly
Isis Torrente
Gloria Sierra, excused
Allen Murray
Nancy Miertschin, excused
Oluseyi Orija
Robert Noble
Tana Pradia
Steven Vargas

OTHERS PRESENT

Amber Harbolt, Ofc of Support
Diane Beck, Ofc of Support

Call to order: Skeet Boyle, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. and asked for a moment of reflection.

Adopt the Agenda: Motion #1: *it was moved and seconded (Pruitt, Chambers) to adopt the agenda. Motion Carried.*

Pruitt assumed the position of Chair for this portion of the meeting.

Approval of the Minutes: Motion #2: *it was moved and seconded (Boyle, Mills) to approve the June 6, 2017 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstention: Chambers.

Boyle resumed the position of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Review Revised Speaker List: Harbolt reviewed the attached list of speakers. She is waiting on confirmation from Patel and Vargas and also looking for a speaker to talk about ACA/Health Insurance. Boyle suggested Sandra Longoria. Harbolt will see if she would be able to or if she can suggest someone.

Review Updated List of Business Organizations: Harbolt reviewed the attached List of Houston Area Chambers of Commerce as of August 2017. Items number 23 through 32 are new to the list. Workgroup members had no additional suggestions.

Review “FAQs” List for Calls with Representatives: Harbolt reviewed the attached list of FAQs. The workgroup suggested adding text about Ryan White being low cost/affordable and change Houston area to Houston and the surrounding area to number 4 and also add number 6 - I don't serve/employ anyone living with HIV, with the response including information about disclosure, stigma, etc.

Announcements: The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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December 12, 2017

Dr. Jane Doe, President & CEO
Women's Chamber of Commerce
Address

Dear Dr. Doe,

With over 27,000 People Living with HIV (PLWH) in and around Harris County, local businesses continue to address the unique needs of PLWH as employers, employees, and customers. Women and girls comprise 25% of all PLWH in our area, and last year 287 women and girls were newly diagnosed with HIV.

The Houston Ryan White Planning Council (RWPC) is a local planning group comprised of forty community members appointed by Harris County Judge Ed Emmett to design services and allocate funding for HIV care in the Houston area. The RWPC is pleased to offer the Women's Chamber of Commerce a list of highly qualified local experts available in the next 12 months to speak on HIV-related topics pertinent to local businesses.

Though we are happy to recommend experts to address other HIV-related topics that may be relevant to your organization, our speakers specialize in the topic areas including:

- How Does HIV Impact the Business Community?
- The Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance
- Are People Still Getting HIV?
- HIV and Aging
- Personal Stories: Living and Working with HIV
- Routine HIV Testing in Houston Emergency Rooms
- HIV, Social Determinants of Health and Community Impact

As March 10th is National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, we recommend considering one of our speakers for one of your meetings or events in March. Please see the enclosed list of speakers for detailed information. To schedule a speaker for a committee meeting, business meeting, or other event, please contact Appointee at Appointee Phone Number or by email at: Appointee Email.

It is our hope that this opportunity will strengthen the collaboration between the HIV community and local business leaders.

Sincere regards,

Chair Name
Chair
Ryan White Planning Council