

HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL



We envision an educated community where the needs of all HIV/AIDS infected and/or affected individuals are met by accessible, effective, and culturally sensitive health and psychosocial services that are part of a fully coordinated system. The community will continue to intervene responsibly until the end of the epidemic.

The Houston Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White Planning Council will improve the quality of life and advocate for those infected and/or affected with HIV/AIDS by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources

MINUTES

11:30 a.m., Thursday, July 8, 2004

2223 W. Loop South, Room 416

Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Steven Walker, Chair of Operations	Ken Malone, excused	Tammy Garrison, Greeter
Gary Ainsworth	Felicia Farrar, excused	Brenda Bodkrec
Skeet Boyle	Joe Fuentes, Jr., excused	Trent Lavalais, Greeter
Lester Byrd	Hector Guajardo	Ann Robison
Paula Downes	Gretchen Hollingsworth	Katy Caldwell
Johnetta Evans-Thomas	Priscilla Jenkins-Roberts, excused	Harry E. Coleman
Tonya Fisher	Leonard Kincaid, excused	Charles Henley, HIV Services
David Garner	Lynn King, Jr., excused	Tom McDevitt, Coalition for the Homeless
Danny Garza	Sylvia Mazique, excused	David Mandell, Coalition for the Homeless
Veronica Garza	Joseph Osei-Frimpong	Laura Valentine
Kimberly Griffin	Yvette Proctor, excused	Tori Williams, Office Of Support
Johnny Harris, Jr.	Kimbrae Sanders, excused	Jen Kim, Office Of Support
Kevin Jackson	Fred Walters, Jr., excused	Georgette L. Monaghan, Office Of Support
Lesley Lopez-Williams		Modelle Brudner, Judge Eckels
Albert McKinney		
Marlene McNeese-Ward		
Nancy Miertschin		
Michael Miller		
Marvin Pruitt		
John Sahn		
Bruce Turner		
Thomas Urban		
Cathy Wiley		
Tracy Wilson		
Torelen Winbush		

Call to Order: Walker, Chair of the Operations Committee, called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m. by asking for a moment of reflection.

Training: 2004 Epidemiology Report, Lynn Schultz, New Solutions, presented the attached Power Point presentation.

Adoption of the Agenda: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Lopez-Williams, Jackson) to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.*

Adoption of the Minutes: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Lopez-Williams, Jackson) to approve the June 10, 2004 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Garza, D., McNeese-Ward, Wilson, Harris, Jr.

Public Comment (See attached written comments): There were no verbal public comments.

Reports from the Committees:

Operations Committee: Boyle gave the following report:

Election for 2004 Council Chairperson: *Motion: To accept Steve Walker by acclamation for the Council Chair. Motion carried.* Abstention: Walker.

Miller gave the following report:

Council Quorum: The committee will re-visit this issue and look at the criteria for excused and unexcused absences.

Quality Assurance Committee: Veronica Garza, Chair, gave the following reports:

FY 05 How To Best Meet the Need: Food Pantry: The Steering Committee was given the authority to have final approval and did approve the attached motion regarding FY 2005 Food Pantry Services.

Motion 1: To accept the attached chart with HIV/AIDS Targeting for Service Categories. Motion carried.

CPCDMS Work Group: The next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 5, 2004

Priority & Allocations Committee: John Sahn and Danny Garza, Co-Chairs, reported on the following:

Motion 2: To accept the attached recommendations regarding the FY 2005 Allocations: Level Funding Scenario which includes MAI funds. Motion carried.

Motion 3: To accept the attached recommendation regarding the FY 2005 Allocations: Increase Funding Scenario. Motion carried.

Motion 4: To accept the attached recommendation regarding the FY 2005 Allocations: Decrease Funding Scenario. Motion carried.

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Paula Downes, Chair, reported on the following:

Motion 5: To approve the 2004 Epidemiology Report with the understanding that the document will receive additional corrections and polishing and that Chapter 3 will need to be added when this data becomes available. Motion carried.

Advances in Medication and Treatment: Tracy Wilson, Chair, made the following reports:

2004 Educational Presentations are as follows:

12:00 p.m., July 30, 2004 – Mental Health & Psycho-pharmacology

Sept – New Testing Technologies

6:00 p.m., October 14, 2004 – New & Novel Agents

6:00 p.m., November 4, 2004 – New & Novel Agents in Spanish

2004-05 Committee Meeting Dates include:

10:30 a.m., August 23, 2004 (may need to reschedule as this is the first day of the HRSA Grantee meeting)

10:30 a.m., October 26, 2004

10:30 a.m., January 11, 2004

When appropriate, this committee will include members of the ADAP Ad Hoc Committee.

ADAP: See President's Announcement in the report from the Priority and Allocations Committee.

Affected Community Committee: Lesley Lopez-Williams, Chair, reported on the following:

Public Hearing: June 28, 2004: The hearing only lasted 45 minutes because there was only one public comment.

Outreach: See attached list of events at which the Council will have a presence.

PR Committee: Jackson stated that the Pride event went very well. McKinney has offered the use of his vehicle for next year.

2004 Committee Meeting Schedule: The August meeting date needs to be changed to Monday, August 23, 2004. Jackson will be chairing the meeting as Lopez-Williams will be out of town.

Administrative Assessment Committee: No Report.

Report from Office of Support: Tori Williams, Manager, summarized the attached report.

Report from HIV Services: Charles Henley, Director, HIV Services, Harris County Health Department, summarized the attached report.

New Business - Reports from:

Planning Council Members: Ainsworth stated that he received complaints about how the Public Comments were handled at the last meeting. Complaints included: the room was not large enough, the site was not client friendly, and two minutes was not enough time to give comments. Williams will place this issue on the agenda for the next Operations Committee meeting. Walker requested that the Affected Community Committee discuss and recommend ways to get information to the clients about changes in services.

Title II: See the attached report.

Title III: Miertschin stated that members may wish to review the attached handout entitled: IIRSA Awards.

Title IV: Lopez-Williams stated that the Youth Center Workshop hosted by The Resource Group was awesome. Another workshop is in the planning stages.

STAGE: There is a meeting tomorrow. Boyle stated that Title I will need a new representative once his term has expired at the end of 2004.

Community Prevention Group: Brenda Booker was introduced as the new representative from the CPG. Booker stated that the group is prioritizing the populations and is looking forward to integrating their work with that of the Council.

Legislative Updates: Wilson pointed out the attached "Department State Health Services Organization Chart" which outlines the reorganization of the Texas Department of Health (TDH). The FY 2005 budget will be presented in Austin on July 20, 2004.

CARE Act Updates: Walker stated that the attached CDC publication indicates immediate changes that will affect educational materials. Walker asked members to download the materials and familiarize themselves with what Walker feels are "scary changes".

Report from SCSN: Miertschin stated that this group met in Dallas two weeks ago. Jennifer Kim, the Health Planner for the Council, has been asked to serve on the SCSN.

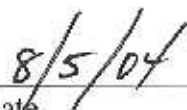
Announcements: None.

Adjournment: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Garza, D., Lopez-Williams) to adjourn the meeting at 1:16 p.m. Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Williams, Manager

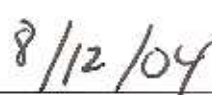


Date

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Council Chair: 

Date: 

Final Approval by
Council Chair: 

Date 

C = Chaired the meeting
 JR = Just arrived at meeting
 LI = Left room temporarily
 LM = Left the meeting

Scribe: Monaghan

2004 Council Meeting Voting Record for Meeting Date: July 8, 2004

MEMBERS	Motion 4		Motion 5		MEMBERS	Motion 4		Motion 5		MEMBERS	Motion 4		Motion 5				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	Carried		YES	NO	ABSTAIN	Carried		YES	NO	ABSTAIN	Carried	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Gary Ainsworth	x				Lesley Lopez-Williams		X			Albert McKinney	x						
Skeet Boyle										Marlene McNeese-Ward							
Lester Byrd										Ken Malone							
Paula Downes										Sylvia Mazique	x						
Johanna Evans-Thomas										Nancy Muertschin							
Tonya Fisher										Michael Miller							
Felicia Farrar	x									Joseph Osci-Frimpong							
Joe Fuentes, Jr.	x									Yvette Proctor	x						
David Garner	x									Marvin Pruitt							
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Gretchen Hollingsworth	x									Steve Walker							
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