

Planning Council



Randall Furrow, Chair

Thursday, January 8, 2015
5:00 – 6:30 pm
Area Agency on Aging/Care Directions
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Meeting Minutes

Committee Members

Attended:

Andrea Kamenca	Abdul Hasan	Cheri Tomlinson	Bruce Weiss
Cynthia Trottier	Edward Tisdale	Debby Elliott	David Aguirre
Dan Lindell	Eric Moore	Keith Thompson	David Garcia
Maclovia Morales	Randall Furrow	Jennifer Bullock	Jonathan Harris
Ken Bethel	Penny Ellis	Lisa Fuentes	

Excused:

Marie Lopez Rogers	Deborah Frusciano	Lucio Amado	Cindy Alvarez
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John Sapero

Absent:

Michael Slim

Guests

Mary Perez	Rich Nanko	Malika Hasan	Darwin Gunderson
Greg Scaggs	Jimmy Borders	Sarah Ehrich Swan	RJ Shannon

Administrative Agent Staff

AT	Rose Conner	AT	Kenneth Leighton-Boster	AB	Carmen Batista	AT	Chantie Wingo
AT	Julie Rudnick	AB	Georgina Lowe	AT	Victoria Jaquez	AB	Jane Wixed
AT	Chavon Boston						

Support Staff: Claire Tyrpak

Welcome, introductions and declarations of any conflicts-of-interest

Planning Council Chair Randall Furrow called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Everyone introduced him/herself and declared any conflicts-of-interest.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Determination of quorum

Randall Furrow determined that quorum was established with 17 of 24 members at approximately 5:04 pm.

Review of the minutes and action items from the previous meeting

The committee silently reviewed the minutes from the previous two Planning Council meetings. No comments were voiced.

MOTION: David Aguirre moved to approve the minutes. Jonathan Harris seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

Chair update

Randall Furrow congratulated John Sapero, Cindy Alvarez and Nicole Turcotte on their new Planning Council membership. He also stated that New County Supervisor Steven Gallardo has been appointed to serve on the Council. Randall then read a resignation letter from Deborah Frusciano.

Administrative Agent update

Rose Conner discussed a handout covering all the Administrative Agent's activities. These include presentations at the national AIDS conference and a HRSA webinar, an RFP for outreach services and the expenditures for services new and continuing. Cynthia Trottier asked two questions on dental coverage, which Rose answered.

Reallocations

There was nothing for this item.

Membership approvals

David Aguirre stated that there were six candidates for reappointment that needed to be voted on and Jennifer Bullock passed out the ballots. Later in the meeting, David Aguirre announced that all six reappointments had been approved.

MOTION: Cheri Tomlinson moved to vote by secret ballot for the appointments. Jennifer Bullock seconded.

DISCUSSION: None.

OUTCOME: The motion passed.

ACA update

Cheri Tomlinson stated that MIHS will have a refugee event in January and that there are 72,000 enrolled in the ACA in Arizona. Rose Conner stated that they are having health literacy classes for clients and that they wanted to recruit more people for them. Lisa Fuentes said that filing taxes for clients on the ACA is important in order to receive the proper tax credit, which also affects clients' premiums. Cynthia Trottier asked if someone doesn't have proof of insurance, will they be penalized and Cheri responded yes, and the penalty increases each year. Jimmy Borders stated that the federal government will issue proof of insurance statements in February and there is a line on the federal tax form to put this information.

MEETING MINUTES *continued*

Site visit report

Rose Conner discussed the follow up report sent by HRSA from their site visit in 2014. No findings were made and the Part A Office and the Planning Council received a good review.

Standards Update

Eric Moore discussed the new document received from HRSA concerning new service standard requirements. There are 12 items that need to be addressed in each standard. The Standards Committee would begin meeting in February to begin the process to address these changes.

Update: Other Ryan White programs

Part B: Lisa Fuentes stated that they also have cost savings due to AHCCCS expansion. They have 1,115 clients enrolled, 281 are Part A. This amount did not match the Part A's office so will be confirmed between Part A & B. She then discussed the SWAG group that has a diverse membership and will be meeting soon.

Part C: Eric Moore stated that they received a partial notice of grant award for 50 percent of their grant. Parts C & D will have a HRSA site visit in mid-March.

Part D: Cheri Tomlinson stated that they ensuring that women and youth stayed enrolled. Also they have a technical award they are using for a call center and software for campaigns for retention.

Current Event Summaries

Debby Elliott announced that City Housing HOPWA program has Section 8 Federal extra funds available. Penny Ellis stated that AHCCCS has 315,000 adults enrolled with a total of 1.6 million AHCCCS clients. They are doing automatic renewals.

Call to the public

No comments were voiced.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:10 pm.