

San Antonio Area HIV Health Services Planning Council

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People's Caucus Minutes from March 6, 2009

Members Present: B. Burns, C. Carmona, K. Crandle, C. Escalante, D. Garriott, R. Gomez, R. Hersey, T. Hersey, J. Jackson, H. Miller, C. Northrup, F. Rosas, G. Small, C. Williams, E. Wright, R. Dougherty, C. Whitehead, J. Pierce

Members Absent: J. Carmona, R. Garza, D. Graney, B. Kalusevic, A. Moreno, A. Munoz, D. Sanchez, L. Smith, C. Thomas, M. Wendell

Guests Present: S. Valentin, L. Castro, S. Denevan, J. Brazil, L. Gutierrez, L. Bustamante, A. Martinez, R. James, M. Durham, G. Staly

Call to Order

Robert Dougherty called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m.

Introduction of members and guests

Members and guests of the People's Caucus introduced themselves.

Reading of the Caucus Mission Statement

Johnny Jackson read the People's Caucus Mission Statement.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes from February 13, 2009.

The minutes were approved without objection.

Presentation: Services and Providers, by various Community Providers

Michelle Durham, Executive Director of BEAT AIDS, presented on the services they provide. She discussed behavioral change and what measures BEAT AIDS takes to provide prevention and counseling.

She announced that there are new income requirements according to the revised Standards of Care. There is no income requirement for Case Management.

Ms. Durham stated that BEAT AIDS has programs (intervention) that encourages ethnic pride. Each year, three to five thousand people are tested by BEAT AIDS.

Lucia Bustamante presented on the South Texas Family AIDS Network (STFAN).

Ms. Bustamante described the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act. She stated that when the RWHATMA began, "Title" became "Part".

Ms. Bustamante described the different Parts of Ryan White, including, Part A and Part B.

She stated that STFAN has a program that focused on Pediatric AIDS, which began in 1988.

Chris Escalante gave a presentation on Alamo Area Resource Center's three (3) month session called PEER Mentoring. He stated that the session is for people who are working on adherence to medication.

Presentation: AIDS Regional Information and Evaluation System (ARIES)

Steven Lew, Data Analysis, gave a presentation on the "AIDS Regional Information and Evaluation System (ARIES)".

Mr. Lew described the Unique Record Number (URN). In addition, he gave an overview of the referral process.

He described the advantages of the ARIES system, such as sharing information between providers.

Discussion and appropriate action regarding the People's Caucus Standing Rules.

The Caucus discussed removing #3 of the People's Caucus Standing Rules, which stated, "In order to vote, members must have attended the previous meetings."

Motion: Jerry Pierce moved to remove #3 from the People's Caucus Standing Rules. The motion was seconded by Chris Escalante. There was no further discussion. There were fourteen (14) votes in favor, zero (0) opposed, and zero (0) abstentions. The motion carried.

Motion: Jerry Pierce moved to add Addendum C, The People's Caucus Committee Standing Rules, to the Bylaws as revised. The motion was seconded by Chris Escalante. There was no further discussion. There were fourteen (14) votes in favor, zero (0) opposed, and zero (0) abstentions. The motion carried.

Discussion on People's Caucus Activities.

Chris Escalante announced that there will be a Market Day on March 21, 2009, at the Enchilada Warehouse from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any donations for this event are appreciated. The funds from Market Day are going toward People's Caucus t-shirts.

The People's Caucus discussed involvement of the consumers from Victoria and Uvalde. Satellite People's Caucus was suggested by several members.

Round Table Discussion.

There was no round table discussion.

Scheduling of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the People's Caucus will be March 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Metropolitan Community Church.

Announcements, Correspondence and Recognition

Laura Castro, Planning Council Liaison, announced that Erin Grothues is asking for participation of the People's Caucus in the completion of the Needs Assessment.

Chris Escalate thanked and congratulated the new Co-Chairs for their involvement in the People's Caucus.

Robert Dougherty thanked the previous Co-Chairs for their hard work.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned without objection.

Submitted by:

AA Planning Representative

Date

Certified by:

Committee Chair

Date

Approved by:

Committee Chair

Date