

Outreach-Unserved/Underserved
Hyatt Regency Columbus
Columbus, Ohio
May 1, 2014
11:25 – 12:55 p.m.
Notes taken by Ken Latham

Members of the Outreach Committee

Voting Members Attending Meeting

Michael Schroeder, Chairperson

Paula Rabidoux
Diane Cox
Kimberly Stults
Kristy Ramsey

Staff

Carolyn Knight
Ken Latham
Carla Cox
Fatica Ayers
Robin Shipp

Additional Attendees

Renee Wood
Neil Castilow
Ellen Jones
Tamara Hairston
Lynn Harris
William Tatum
Joanna Spargo
Karen Kerr
Marci Straughter
Jamie Graham
Kara Ayers
Angela Ramos
Carmen Shelton

The meeting was called to order at 11:25 a.m. by Chairperson, Michael Schroeder

Mike called for Introduction of those who were attending the outreach meeting.

Comments/Opening Remarks

Mike called for the approval of the Dec. 13, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion to approve minutes by Diane Cox and seconded by Paula Rabidoux.

Comments/Remarks

- A. No plan language changes for outreach grants for the year 2015.
- B. Ken Latham participated on the MACC Gala planning committee and attended the event on April 24, 2014 at the Ohio Historical Museum in Columbus. We help sponsor this event with discretionary funding. MACC is the acronym for the Multi-Ethnic Advocates on Cultural Competence.
- C. Mike explained to the committee about the visitors from the Missouri DD Council that visited Ohio for 3 days. Grantees that participated on the agenda were Cassandra Archie- Triple Jeopardy Project, Jibril Hirsi Somali Can News-letter, Wendy West-Sickle Cell and Blake Andres Amish Project.

He discussed the agenda and said that more would be talked about in Full Council.

Paula Rabidoux spoke about Blake Andres of the Amish Grant presentation At the Nisonger Center.

Agenda Item-1- Angela Ramos-Fields –Living Beyond Autism

A presentation by Angela Fields on the Living beyond Autism project discussed outcomes and findings studied through research and focus groups.

The Living beyond Autism project's purpose is to increase awareness to groups who need access to resources and learn how to navigate the system for assistance.

Through this effort a written report, a DVD of various focus groups and media promotions help increase awareness. Political partnerships help create legislation to assist and establish procedures to improve the lives for people with disabilities in an emergency situation.

The smart 911 legislation was discussed by Ms. Fields and informed the committee of its purpose.

The smart 911 is a safety software solution allowing citizens anywhere in the country to create a safety profile free of charge. This profile includes critical data such as medical conditions, medications, photographs, vehicle and pet information, location clarifications, and emergency notifications which is relayed directly to 911 operators when a call is placed to 911 from the registered phone number.

Many of the committee members were very much interested in this initiative and wanted additional information so they could share the information further in their place of employment and their communities.

Agenda Item -2- Carmen Shelton-Appalachian Outreach Advocate

Ms. Shelton came to the Outreach Committee today to share information and to propose ideas and concepts to do outreach in the Appalachian region of the state.

Carmen stated that she has made contact with people in at least 4 counties such as Lawrence, Pike, Brown, and Pickaway. These communities have express interest in partnering with council and learning system navigation.

The committee discussed with Carmen other resources to contact such as the State Appalachian Commission to help with information about the region and its people.

Ms. Shelton talked about creating and using some type of recruiting tool to gain the interest of the rural communities in council activities.

The committee talked about developing a recruiting booklet targeted to this specific area of the state.

Renee Wood commented that we must also be aware of the daily living environment of this community and we must be aware that this is often an

obstacle for this area often participating in any service activities of many agency assistance programming.

Ken Latham stated that he will contact an additional individual who lives in this area and has expertise with the culture of this community and does training with agencies for outreaching to the Appalachian population.

The Outreach Committee will continue to pursue this initiative.

Additional Announcements:

Lynn Harris- “Safe Keepers Home Care Service”

Ms. Harris is the owner of “**Safe-keepers**” a non-Medical in Home Care & Living Assistance Services.

She attended the Outreach Committee meeting to introduce her business and to let the committee know of her service.

Ms. Harris passed out Brochures to the committee members and informed them she works in several counties, Franklin, Delaware, Licking and Green.

Committee members were able to ask questions and invite her to future Council committee meetings.

Lynn stated that her goal is to gather information and ideas to improve on provider services.

There was no further business.

Mike called for a motion to adjourn, motion made by Paula Rabidoux .

Meeting Adjourned.

No Additional announcements:

There was no further business.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05

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