

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, February 10, 2005
 2223 W. Loop South, Room 416
 Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Steven Walker, Chair	Joe Fuentes, Jr.	Charles Henley, HIV Services
Ken Malone, Vice-Chair	Daniel Garza, excused	Glenn Taggart
Kevin Jackson, Secretary	Kimberly Griffin, excused	Veronica Garza
Gary Ainsworth	Johnny Harris, Jr., excused	Jim Stanley
Bill Barry	Gretchen Hollingsworth, excused	Katy Caldwell
Antoinette Boone	Priscilla Jenkins-Roberts, excused	Rodney Goodie, SHF
Skeet Boyle	Marlene McNeese-Ward, excused	Mary Lee Johnson
Larry Bryant	Marvin Pruitt, excused	Ann Robison
Lester Byrd	Bruce Turner, excused	Cathy Kirkwood
Fido Cisnero	Tracy Wilson, excused	Kirby Ward
Paula Downes		Rich Arenschielt
Johnetta Evans-Thomas		James Malone
Tonya Fisher		Lynn Schultz
David Garner		
Tammy Garrison		Modelle Brudner, Judge Eckels
Hector Guajardo		Tori Williams, Ofc. Of Support
Sylvia Mazique		Georgette L. Monaghan, Ofc. Of Support
Nancy Miertschin		
Michael Miller		
John Odom		
Joseph Osei-Frimprong		
Yvette Proctor		
John Sahn		
George H. Smith		
Thomas Urban		
Christy Varhaug		
Ray Watts		
Cathy Wiley		
Lesley Williams		

Call to Order: Malone, Vice-Chair, Ryan White Planning Council, called the meeting to order at 11:46 a.m. by asking for a moment of reflection.

Introductions: Malone had everyone introduce him or herself.

Malone introduced Modelle Brudner, the liaison between County Judge Robert Eckels and the Council. Malone presented Brudner with a birthday gift from the Council and thanked her being an exemplary liaison. Brudner thanked the Council, welcomed everyone, and stated that members should call and/or email her if they ever wish to speak with her. Brudner stated that most problems should be worked out through the Council process, but she is available and happy to speak to members when this is not possible. Brudner presented members with certificates of membership and tote bags.

Training: Lynn Schultz, New Solutions, presented the attached power point presentation entitled "Results of the 2005 HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment".

Walker arrived and took over the role of chairing the meeting.

Adoption of the Agenda: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Boyle, Ainsworth) to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.*

Adoption of the Minutes: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Williams, L., Jackson) to adopt the December 9, 2004 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Malone, Downes, Evans-Thomas, Fisher, Guajardo, Miller, Osei-Frimpong, Proctor, Wiley, Barry, Boone, Bryant, Cisnero, Garrison, Odom, Smith, Varhaug and Watts.

Public Comment: None.

Reports from Committees: (See the attached chart at the end of the minutes for individual voting information):

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Paula Downes, Co-Chair, gave the following report:
2005 HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment: *Motion 1: To approve the 2005 HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment.*

Administrative Assessment Committee: Ainsworth reported on the following:
2005 Data Needs for all Committees: Several committees participated in a meeting on February 2, 2005 at which it was determined that HIV Services will continue to submit information using the same format as was used in FY 2004.

Kim proposed a checklist that the Council might use to assess the administrative mechanism. The committee will be meeting in April to again review and possibly revise the checklist. Council members are welcome to attend that meeting to give input.

2005 Council Timeline: Williams, T., Manager, stated that everyone needs to carefully review the attached timeline, let her know if there are conflicts and mark their personal calendars with significant meeting dates. The detailed timeline will be presented later.

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

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

Old Business: None.

New Business – Updates from:

Title III: Miertschin stated that their new grant officer has reviewed the Quality Management model developed by HIV Services. They are very impressed with it.

STAGE: Jackson stated that STAGE approved allocations for Lufkin and Galveston and reallocated funds for Beaumont, Lufkin, Texarkana, Tyler/Longview. They also approved standards of care for professional counseling.

Legislative Issues: Malone asked everyone to review the attached flyer regarding Advocacy Day on February 28, 2005.

Mayor’s Task Force on HIV/AIDS: Bryant stated that there will be a meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 11, 2005 at the City Health Department to kick off a Media Campaign.

SCSN: Miertschin stated that their next meeting is scheduled for February 24-26, 2005.

HOPWA: Boone stated that they are working on a consolidated plan. Their geographic area has been expanded to be a ten county area. Because of this they have received a one-time \$9 million bonus.

Announcements: Walker stated that President Bush asked for Reauthorization of the CARE Act in his State of the Union message.

Adjournment: Motion: it was moved and seconded (Downes, Fisher) to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Williams, Manager

3/4/05

Date

Draft Certified by
Council Chair: 

3/4/05

Date

Final Approval by
Council Chair: 

3/10/05

Date

PAGE: One of one

Scribe: Monaghan

JA = Just arrived at meeting

LR = Left room temporarily

LM = Left the meeting

2005 Council Meeting Voting Record for Meeting Date: February 10, 2005

		Motion I:	Carried					
MEMBERS	ABSENT	YES	NO	MEMBERS	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Gary Ainsworth		X		Marlene McNeese-Ward	X			
Bill Barry		X		Ken Malone		X		
Antoinette Boone		X		Sylvia Mazique		X		
Skeet Boyle		X		Nancy Miertschin		X		
Larry Bryant		X		Michael Miller		X		
Lester Byrd		X		John Odom		X		
Fide Cisnero		X		Joseph Osei-Frimpong		X		
Paula Downes		X		Yvette Proctor		X		
Johnetta Evans-Thomas		X		Marvin Pruitt	X			
Tonya Fisher		X		John Sahn		X		
Joe Fuentes, Jr.	X			George H. Smith		X		
David Garner		X		Bruce Turner	X			
Tammy Garrison		X		Thomas Urban		X		
Daniel Garza	X			Christy Varhuag		X		
Kimberly Griffin	X			Steve Walker-Chair		X		X
Hector Guajardo		X		Ray Watts		X		
Johnny Harris, Jr.	X			Cathy Wiley		X		
Gretchen Hollingsworth	X			Lesley P. Williams		X		
Kevin Jackson		X		Tracy Wilson	X			
Priscilla Jenkins-Roberts	X							