

**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, March 11, 2010

Meeting Location: 2223 W. Loop South, Suite 416

Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Cecilia Smith-Ross, Chair	Claudine Alexandre-McGill, excused	Modelle Brudner, Liaison, Judge Ed Emmett
Pete Rodriguez, Vice-Chair	Dena Gray	Terry Ross
John Tuttle, Secretary	Sammie Johnson, excused	Anna Langford, The Resource Group
Sherifat Akorede	Billie Lackins, excused	Mika Sam Cooper, St. Hope Foundation
Roland Amboree	Ernesto Macias, excused	Rodney Goodie, St. Hope Foundation
Jackie Baldwin	Venita Ray, excused	Gilbert Garcia
Ben Barnett	Ruben Rosas, excused	
David Benson	Josie Salazar, excused	Ryan White Grant Administration
Gina Blackwell	Glenn Taggart, excused	Charles Henley
Keith Bynam		Carin Martin
Paula Downes		
David Garner		Office of Support
Tammy Garrison		Tori Williams
Jerry Garza		Jen Kim
Eddie Givens		Georgette L. Monaghan
Morénike Giwa		
Gabriel Gonzalez		
Terry Hobbs		
Linda Hollins		
Sheron Jackson		
Melvin Johnson		
J. Hoxi Jones		
Januari Leo		
Patrick Martin		
Osaro Mgbere		
Greg Monk		
Ryan Rushing		
Eric Twombly		
Steven Vargas		

See the attached chart at the end of the minutes for individual voting information.

Call to Order: Cecilia Smith-Ross, Chair, Ryan White Planning Council, called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m. and asked for a moment of reflection. Smith-Ross stated that funeral services for Asia Johnson will be held at 4302 Cavalcade on Saturday, March 6, 2010.

Welcoming Remarks: Smith-Ross asked the following Council members to please stand if present: Leo, M. Johnson, S. Johnson and Givens. She encouraged all members to get to know these members better by reading about them on the "Getting to Know You" forms.

Training: Paul Simmons, RN and Executive Director at the Center for AIDS, gave a verbal presentation on the *Myths and Facts Regarding Re-Transmitting HIV*.

Adoption of the Agenda: **Motion #1**: *it was moved and seconded (Vargas, Downes) to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.*

Adoption of the December 2009 Minutes: **Motion #2**: *it was moved and seconded (Monk, Osaro) to adopt the February 11, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Benson, Downes, Garrison, Garza, Jackson, M. Johnson, Rushing.

Public Comment: Rodney Goodie, St. Hope Foundation, summarized the attached, written public comment.

Reports from Committees:

Quality Assurance Committee: Morénike Giwa, Co-Chair gave the following reports:

Reports from Part A Administrative Agent: See the attached reports.

Reports from Part B Administrative Agent: See the attached reports.

2010 Part B Standards of Care: **Motion #3**: *To approve the attached 2010 Part B Standards of Care with the understanding that the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) can amend the standards. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Martin.

Affected Community Committee: Eddie Givens and Gabriel Gonzalez, Co-Chairs, reported on the following: The Blue Book: The 2010 – 2011 Blue Books have arrived and are available in the Office of Support.

Living Healthy with HIV Event: A meeting to critique the event will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2010. The event was well organized, with excellent attendance!

Committee Training: See the attached outline that was used to train Committee members who will be staffing a booth at a community event.

Operations Committee: Jackie Baldwin, Co-Chair, gave the following reports:

Co-sponsor the 2010 HIP HOP for HIV event: **Motion #4**: *To co-sponsor the HIP HOP for HIV event with the Houston Department of Health and Human Services and others, with the understanding that this means providing 20 volunteers for the week-long event and concert.* Motion carried.* *Note: Testing will take place the week of June 21 – 27, 2010. The concert will be held on July 24, 2010.

Priority and Allocations Committee: Terry Hobbs and Greg Monk, Co-Chairs, reported on the following: FY 2011 Priority Setting Process: **Motion #5**: *To approve the attached FY 2011 Priority Setting Process. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Martin.

2010 Policy for Addressing Unobligated and Carryover Funds: **Motion #6**: *To approve the attached 2010 Policy for Addressing Unobligated and Carryover Funds. Motion carried.* Opposed: Garner. Abstentions: Mgbere, Martin.

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

Report from Ryan White Grants Administration: Charles Henley, Manager, Ryan White Grant Administration (RWGA), Public Health and Environmental Services, summarized the attached report.

Report from The Resource Group: Patrick Martin, Program Development Director, The Houston Regional HIV/AIDS Resource Group summarized the attached reports. Members were encouraged to visit the website for the group entitled: Serving the Incarcerated and Recently Released (SIRR). Meetings are open to all.

New Business:

HOPWA: Keith W. Bynam stated that the City of Houston is formalizing its consolidated plan on housing. The Public Hearing to review the plan is scheduled for 7 p.m. on March 24, 2010 at the City Annex.

Report from the CDC Planning and Prevention Group: David Garner stated that meetings are on the fourth Thursday of the month from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at 1115 South Braeswood.

African American Emergency Task Force on HIV/AIDS: Jackie Baldwin stated that there will be a meeting of the task force on March 12, 2010 in the City Health Department building at 8000 Stadium Drive.

Latino Task Force on HIV/AIDS (LHTF): Steven Vargas gave the following report: The LHTF met and agreed to support the activities various agencies have organized to highlight *National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day*. Discussion on how to create more of a presence in the community for the Task Force was discussed and members have been tasked with coming to the next meeting with their ideas for this effort. Please feel free to attend the next scheduled meeting on Friday, March 26, 2010 from 11:00am - 12:30pm in Thomas Street Health Center's 3rd Floor Conference Room.

Announcements: Smith-Ross asked members to send written reports to the Office of Support in advance of a Council meeting and to summarize the report in 30 seconds or less at the meeting. Williams stated that the Office of Support will begin to keep a Community Calendar. Williams will have a Community Calendar board at Council meetings so that information can be continually added to the calendar.

Jones stated that she has a friend with special medical needs who needs assistance accessing care. P Rodriguez offered to speak with Jones after the meeting. Vargas pointed out a flyer from Legacy Community Health Services regarding the Lotus Project. Akorede thanked the Office of Support for her birthday card. Giwa announced that there is an on-line fundraiser for Asia Johnson. And, Garner stated that the Living Healthy event was a resounding success.

Adjournment: Motion #7: it was moved and seconded (Garrison, Garza) to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m. *Motion carried.*

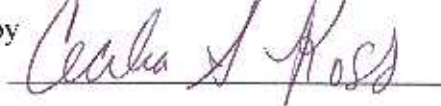
Respectfully submitted,


Victoria Williams, Manager

03-30-10
Date

Draft Certified by
Council Chair: 

Date 04-01-10

Final Approval by
Council Chair: 

Date 04-08-10

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2010 Council Meeting Voting Record for Meeting Date: 3/11/10

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