

HARRIS COUNTY SYSTEMS OF HOPE  
Governing Board Meeting  
Wednesday, May 19, 2010  
2525 Murworth  
Houston, TX 77054

Attendees:

Board Members and Alternates Present:		
Taren Bates	Robin Harrison	Steve Schnee
Alma Bell	Rebecca Johansson	Barbara Sewell
Julie Bourne	Renatta Kost	Pat Sibley
Eileene Chappelle	Sherea McKenzie	Stephen Williams
Bonnie Cord	Alma Montejano	
Angel Escamilla	Curtis Mooney	
George Ford	Beverly Pettway	
Carolyn Hamilton	Clemelia Richardson	

Systems of Hope Staff Present:	
Larry D. Brown Jr.	Lauren Moore
Nichole Christoph	John Puder
Lareatha Clay	Pam Schaffer
Magno Guillen	Tammy Foster
Randy Joiner	

Other Attendees:		
Brian Baxendale	Michelle Ibarra	Elisia Velasquez
Joseph Bourne	Jason Lau	
Stacey Clettenberg	Beverly Pettway	
Monica DeLaRosa	Mia Robinson	
John Donovan	Michael Santos	

I. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Mooney called the meeting to order at 5:25 pm. Members of the Board and guests introduced themselves around the room.

II. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Mooney asked the group to review the minutes of the March 2010 meeting and note corrections. A motion was then made and passed to accept the minutes as presented.

III. Financial Report

Mr. Baxendale presented a budget report for the period ending April 30, 2010. The program is the seventh month of the grant year. Overall the program is on track with the budget. A revised budget will be presented to the fiscal work group then to the board for approval.

Ms. Pettway reported that the fiscal work group went over the budget during the April meeting. A question was asked at that meeting if the program would end the year in the black. Ms. Pettway answered that the program must end the year in the black and that the program is in good shape to do so. Procedures for flex funds and stipends will be reviewed at the next fiscal meeting then submitted to the board for approval in July. The group will also review the year six reapplication budget and make necessary revisions.

#### IV. Executive Session

- a. Consider and request to take appropriate action regarding PEG member representation
- b. Discussion and possible action for approval on Project Director position

At 5:28 pm voting members of the board went into Executive Session in room D64. Upon their return at 6:02 pm Dr. Mooney called for a motion regarding the first item of business during Executive Session. Ms. Cord made a motion to remove Ms. Harrison from the Systems of Hope Governing Board. The reason stated was that PEG believed Ms. Harrison violated the ethical standards set forth. Ms. Chappelle seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor. As Dr. Mooney asked for a motion for the second item of business Ms. Harrison stood up and interrupted to make a statement. Ms. Harrison stated that she missed one board meeting and came back to find that she was being voted off. She further stated that “this” is not over and further stated “you should be ashamed especially you Mr. George Ford.” Ms. Harrison stated that this was an abuse of power. Ms. Harrison then told Mr. Ford that he had not heard the last of her and that he should keep an eye on his mail. Ms. Harrison then left the room.

A motion was made to accept Ms. Chappelle as PEG representative on the Governing Board. The motion passed with all in favor.

Dr. Mooney then asked again for a motion on the second item of business during Executive Session. Ms. McKenzie made a motion to recommend Mr. Joiner be designated the Project Director. Mr. Williams seconded the motion which passed with all in favor.

#### V. Work Group Reports

- a. CLCT-Mr. Brown reported that the work group has entered the second phase of the sub study and has identified those that will be interviewed. It was also reported that protocol regarding CLC will be an action item on the agenda for the July meeting.
- b. CQI-Ms. Johansson provided a report detail recent accomplishments for the work group. Specifically cited were the translation of the caregiver satisfaction survey into Spanish and the second round of caregiver satisfaction survey results. There were areas of concern regarding unfavorable responses. Ms. Johansson stated that Mr. Joiner has been made aware of these concerns and CQIT will make recommendations.

Ms. Johansson also reported on future plans for 2010. Including a pilot youth satisfaction survey scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Johansson stated that the survey is youth driven and thanked the youth for their hard work on it.

- c. Evaluation-Dr. Clettenberg reported that Dr. Runge had her baby and is currently on maternity leave. Mr. Lau and Mr. Santos provided a presentation on data collected on Family Connectedness. Research questions asked for this survey were: To what extent do families feel more connected to their community over time and what factors affect family connectedness to their community? The summary of those questions was that there was little change over time in the families' perception of connectedness to their community. It was further stated that the data does not have statistical validity to say it is representative of the program as a whole. The survey also asked about factor affecting family connection to the community regarding emotional/informational support and positive social interaction. Overall, there is not statistically significant change over time in the families' perceptions of social support within their communities. Dr. Schnee asked if there is data to show the benefit of providing these services for the investment. Dr. Clettenberg answered that the evaluation team is working on a cost benefit analysis.
- d. Fiscal-Ms. Pettway reported earlier during the financial report.
- e. PEG-Ms. Bourne stated that PEG did not have a report
- f. Social Marketing-Mr. Puder reported that the Children's Mental Health Awareness event was very successful. Mr. Puder stated that Mr. Bourne did a great job as the events emcee and thanked everyone that was involved and helped.
- g. Sustainability-Ms. Johansson reported that phase one is now complete and thanked everyone that attended and that was part of planning the plan.
- h. Youth-Ms. Bates, Mr. Bourne, Mr. Escamilla and Ms. Robinson reported on recent activities of the Youth Advisory Council. The YAC Mental Wellness Summit took place in April and was a success. Members of YAC were also in attendance at the Sustainability Retreat and Children's Mental Health Awareness event. It was also reported that the Youth MOVE application has been approved and the Youth MOVE chapter will be called "Youth MOVE Houston". YAC participants have been active in finalizing the youth satisfaction survey with the CQIT team.

#### VI. Sustainability Retreat Report-Discussion and Consideration of the Recommendation Made at the Sustainability Retreat.

Mr. Joiner reported that the retreat was well attended and very successful. The group selected five of eight components to work on. Mr. Joiner went over the components and asked for approval from the board to move forwards with the sustainability plan. Mr. Williams made a motion to move forward with the plan. Ms. Sewell seconded the motion which passed with all in favor.

Ms. Bourne made a motion to make accommodations for the board to meet monthly or as needed to ensure the plan keeps moving forward. Ms. Chappelle talked about the need to have a process in place to know what should be discussed. Ms. Cord suggested that each plan champion approach Mr. Joiner to call for an Executive Committee regarding calling for an additional board meeting. Dr. Mooney asked Ms. Bourne if she would accept the amended motion as Ms. Cord stated. Ms. Bourne agreed and the motion passed with all in favor.

#### VII. Program Services Report

Ms. Shaffer presented program statistics for the months of March and April. It was pointed out that the average age is higher because it includes youth served in Kashmere. Ms. Cord asked for clarification on the teams and which areas they serve and if they are all Systems of Hope. Ms. Schaffer stated that all teams are Systems of Hope with the exception of the Kashmere High School team. Ms. Cord then asked if all of the youth served are part of the evaluation study. Mr. Joiner answered that the program received permission from SAMHSA to allow all youth that qualify into the study. Ms. McKenzie asked if the board could be provided with a key of funding streams for each team. Mr. Joiner stated that the program has organizational charts that would address the request. That information will be provided to the board.

#### VIII. Interim Project Director Report

Mr. Joiner thanked Judge Emmett and Mr. Ford for speaking at the Children's Mental Health Awareness day event. Mr. Joiner reiterated the success of that event and the Sustainability Retreat. He stated that he feels very optimistic that the Systems of Care principles will remain in the community.

Mr. Joiner announced that the Training Institute conference will take place in July and the program is working on slots for attendees. Attendance is dependant upon the budget. The program has already made room reservations to ensure availability.

Mr. Joiner thanked the Kashmere SWAP for their work to provide an ice cream social at Kashmere High School. This was done to thank the youth there that participated in the "Dance for Children's Mental Health" video.

#### IX. Announcements

Mr. Escamilla announced that he is graduating from High School next month.

Ms. Bates announced that several events are taking place at Bellaire High School to raise money for the family of a youth that was killed in a car accident.

Ms. Bell thanked everyone for their kind support shown to her after her daughter passed away.

Dr. Mooney stated that he felt this past month has been very positive for the program.

Mr. Puder played the "Dance for Children's Mental Health" video.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.