

Governor's Council for Community Health Partnerships
Board of Directors Meeting Notes
November 17, 2009

Attendance:

- Present:** Dr. Fred Alfele, Paulette Burdick, Sandra Gerber, Deanna Lessard, Bud Tamarkin, Wendy Tippet,
- Staff:** Erica Whitfield
- Absent:** Susan Dyess, Ann Farone, Tara Finnigan, Jane Irion, Bob Palin, Joe Peters, Pierre Rodriguez, Jackie Nicholson, Jacqueline Rogers, Linda Roman, Selma Verse and Rojean Williams.
- Guests:** Jeanette Hartzell, Sharon Vereen, Shirley Rose

I. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 PM by Bud Tamarkin.

II. Agenda and Minutes

Dr. Alfele moved that the minutes from September be accepted as written. Paulette Burdick seconded. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report

- Bud Tamarkin submitted the Program Balances.
- Mr. Tamarkin explained for our new members the basics of the GCCHP expenses and income. Volunteer services was brought up and it was explained that their money comes in from Vending at the Health Department locations. Income this year is expected to be \$22,000.
- Introductions were made as they were omitted earlier. Sandra Gerber made an announcement about an organization she belongs to called Street Beat, an Arts and Dance Program for children to help develop self discipline. She has an upcoming fundraiser on Dec 12. Please contact her for more information.

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee report was postponed.

V. On Going Initiatives:

1. Toy Store

In Bob Palin's absence, Erica Whitfield gave his report. Mr. Palin recently received a \$250 donation from Publix of gift cards to give out to the community as a part of our toy drive initiative. Sharon Vareen, formerly of PBC gov't and Shirley Rose from Volunteer Services were in attendance. Both women will be working with Mr. Palin to collect toys from The Benjamin School and other locations as they become known. The Health Department will be doing a toy drive in the break room of the administration offices. A button has been added to the website at <http://www.gcpartnerships.org/toys.htm> for people to give on line. Money raised will go to purchase more toys for the effort. The toys, gift cards and money will be distributed evenly between Sharon Vareen for her contacts at the county and Shirley Rose for clients at Lantana/Lake Worth Health Center.

2. ACHIEVE

Erica Whitfield gave a detailed description of the 3 areas that ACHIEVE is now focusing on, Community Gardens, Non-Motorized Transportation and 9-5-2-1-0. Suggestions were made that ACHIEVE work with the Tourist Development Council and possibly look for help from them with the Non-Motorized Transportation element of the plan. Ms. Whitfield mentioned the additional \$10,000 that was given to the project and GCCHP members were encouraged to give suggestions. Ideas suggested during the meeting were, Helmets for kids and bike signage.

3. Dental Van

Erica Whitfield will be making the 3rd payment this week. The van is expected to be completed by January, 2010. Paulette Burdick suggested that the van only visit after care programs due to the school day being so full already.

4. DOSS/HAB/Summer Camp

A meeting was held between Erica Whitfield, Maria Watson, Claudia Tuck, Faith Martin and Georgiana Devine. At this meeting discussion ensued about creating one contract between the GCCHP and the county. Progress towards that end is on going.

VI. New Business

1. Strategic Plan

In each packet was included a copy of the contract for the Strategic Plan to be conducted by Randy Schied of RGS Partners, Inc. Due to lack of a quorum, a proxy vote is needed to gain approval. A suggestion was made that we include community partners in the planning process. Organizations and representatives suggested were: Chris Koehn from Quantum Foundation, The Oral Health Coalition, Parks and Recreation related to the Robert Wood Johnson Grant, Karis Engle or Michael Jackson (Santamaria's rep) from The Glades, and the Hispanic Human Resource Association (ask Jorge Yamiyana for recommendation)

2. Board Contract

Mr. Tamarkin has agreed to work with Ms. Whitfield to create a board contract for the GCCHP members that will outline what everyone expects and agrees to as a part of membership. This will be brought to the board at the January Meeting.

3. Lost Tree Village

It was agreed that the board would like to recognize Lost Tree Village for their continued support of the Summer Camp Scholarship Program. Ms. Whitfield will be working with Maria Watson of PBC Human Service to determine the best way to recognize the board.

4. Date Change

The board is looking at changing its date to accommodate members changing schedules. Ms. Whitfield will be sending out a request for members' availability for 2010. Currently 3rd Thursday of the month is available.

VII. Adjournment

Dr. Alfele moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

Bud Tamarkin adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone for attending the Holiday Luncheon.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Whitfield, Executive Director