

RICPG HIV/AIDS MONITORING/MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type: Task Force <input type="checkbox"/> Committee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Day <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: Community Capacity Committee	REPORTED BY: Lorraine Kaul
DATE OF MEETING: May 25, 2006	LOCATION: North Providence Library 1383 Mineral Spring Avenue, N. Providence, RI
TIME BEGAN: 6:00PM	ADJOURNED 8:00PM

IN ATTENDANCE: STEPHANIE HOWIE, DEE DEE WILLIAMS, CANDY BROWN-MCSWAIN, JENN STEINFELD, LUCILLE MINUTO, LORRAINE KAUL

Project/Ideas Discussed:

Lorraine distributed proposed charter changes. Jenn distributed training offering list. And facilitated the meeting.

New Member Recruitment Status: Candy recruited two new African American men who are interested in joining RICPG. The men are Arthur Porter and Kevin Vines. Lorraine reported that Deb and Don had some people in mind and Vinnie was approaching a Latino woman regarding interest. Dee Dee mentioned that Earl Washington another African American man was interested and Bobby DuCharm may be interested in joining. Lorraine mentioned that she was planning to schedule a meeting with Bobby regarding input on the MSM task force. Dee Dee suggested that Lorraine take along an application form at that meeting.

REACH Update and Training Offerings: The group reviewed the list and a discussion ensued about the training needs. Dee-Dee posed a question to the group; if the mission is to build capacity of those who are already doing the work and is also for those coming in to the field; how can we get better at bringing new people into the trainings? Jenn said the catalog alone would not address that issue. She however can help through her willingness to meet with people and discuss the opportunities training and technical assistance available to new people.

Some other ideas were generated on how to accomplish this. Lucille discussed the idea of offering a lottery for project funds. This could be an incentive to bring new people in and encourage them to begin or expand HIV work. The group liked that idea. Jenn said, that she could work on it. Dee Dee suggested a workshop called the "Community Game Training". She said it was a fun opportunity to network and bring people together. Lucille said, we'd need a trainer and the curriculum to do that.

The group reviewed the course offerings distributed by Jenn and discussed courses to be fall or spring offerings. Added to the list were: *Facilitation Skills, Youth Involvement Skills, Passion Fatigue*. The group discussed investigating potential for some future workshops for working with Elderly. Lucille said, that the Health Dept is working with the Dept of Elderly Affairs on adding HIV to their training. She will keep the group posted on those discussions.

Charter Revision: The group made charter revisions proposed by the Facilitator. They will be put to the large group for a vote in the next meeting. Revisions included

changing terms from Empowerment Committee to Community Capacity Committee and some article changes to be more consistent with our current practice.

New Member Interviewers Assigned: Dee Dee, and Stephanie will interview the new members that Candy just put forward and others coming in before the next meeting.

Deb, Don and Phil are interviewing the applicants that had to reschedule.

New Co-Chairs Assigned: Lorraine stated that Deb and Phil offered to take on the Co-Chair position of this committee for three months while it is in transition. This time is up. Due to limited attendance at this meeting, Stephanie and Candy offered to Co-Chair the CCC committee for the next meeting until new Co-Chairs can be established. We can continue to have short term Co-Chairs if that's what's needed to keep the momentum of the group.

Old Business: Lorraine reminded the group that Walter Chow would be joining us at the next meeting.

New Business: Candy offered and update on Youth Task Force Activities

Action Plan: *Who What Where and When?*

Co-Chairs requested copies of pictures for the annual event. Lorraine will provide before June 22nd meeting. Members will follow up on interested applicants before June 22nd meeting. Lorraine will talk to Bobby Ducharm and bring a nomination form within 2 weeks. Jenn will follow up on preparing training offerings based on recommendations and report status by June 22nd meeting.

Stephanie and Candy will Co-Chair for the next month.

Dee Dee and Stephanie will interview potential candidates before the June 22nd meeting.

Motions/Votes: Consensus achieved on Co-Chairs and Interviewers

Next Agenda Items: What' Next?

- New Co-Chairs
- New Interviewers
- Recruitment Update
- REACH Training Update

DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING:

June 22, 2006 6:00-8:00PM Sojourner House 386 Smith Street Providence