

Rhode Island Community Planning Group for HIV Prevention Meeting Minutes

Date: April 13, 2006

Time: 4:30-7:30PM

Place: DATA 260 West Exchange Street, Suite 301, Providence, RI

Present: Candy Brown-Mcswain, Paul Loberti, Phil Kane, Stephanie Howie, Don Laliberte, Lorraine Kaul, Vinnie Velasquez, Lucille Minuto, Derrill Isom, Nathalie Mena

Call to Order: Stephanie Howie called the Meeting to order at 4:45PM

Introductions: Lorraine Kaul began with an icebreaker activity.

Roll Call: Dee Dee Williams (excused) Deb Davis (excused) Elisa Delbonis (excused)

Quorum Announced by Lorraine Kaul

Approval of Minutes: Don Laliberte made a motion to accept the minutes as written, 2nd by Derrill Isom, motion passed unanimously

Lorraine reviewed the objectives for the meeting.

The Retreat Training and the Women Task Force Survey were removed from the agenda. Dee Dee Williams and Jenn Steinfeld was not present to lead the discussion

Program Update: Stephanie has spoken to Dr. Mickey Lally about attending a meeting to discuss HIV-Vaccine Studies. She was unable to attend this meeting but she is working on getting a date.

Taskforce Updates:

Youth- Will be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, they have out done themselves they are doing some recruiting. They are working on making flyers, and drafting a workbook.

MSM- The MSM task force has not met yet they are working on a date in April.

IDU- Has not met but has talked to new people. The next meeting is May 4, 2006 3:30PM at MAP.

WOMEN- The next meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2006 at 12:00 at the Dept of Corrections Dix Building 2nd Floor Conference Room. Dee Dee was not present so Lorraine gave a brief update on what they are working on, there will be more discussion at the CCC meeting on sharing the survey information which may be useful to other taskforces.

Committee Discussion: - Reviewed Committee Agenda; the next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2006 6:00pm at Rochambeau Library 708 Hope Street Providence, RI. The

group discussed the parking issue. Lorraine will send out a memo if a better place can be found. Candy and Vinnie will not be able to attend the Committee Meeting on April 27, 2006 and May 11, 2006

Recruitment/and Interview New Member Plan: Phil reported he has people to interview and plans to meet with them soon. There are 21 slots and presently we have 13 active members. Vinnie suggested that the group should recruit members to fill the membership gap. They decided it would be on the agenda for the CCC (Community Capacity Committee) meeting.

Charter Revisions: Don reported, after reviewing the rules of operations of the charter, there were many items that was repeated, Jenn offered to review the charter and highlight the problems then review them at the next CCC meeting.

Community Update: Julie from CHAMP distributed flyers about a seminar that will be held on Tuesdays, 5:30-8:30PM from April 25th through June 6th, plus a public session on Saturday, June 3.

New Business: Paul reported that Midge has taken a new job in the Dept of Education so she will not longer be able to attend the meetings, but she will attend the next meeting to say goodbye to everyone. They will be getting someone to fill her position so the hope is that the new person will become a CPG member.

AIDS Law Update: Paul reported on the law. It has passed through the Senate and House Committee, and will be amended before it will be finalized within the next few weeks.

Paul announced that the *Title II* Program state supplemental request was approved for 4.5 million. Details will follow.

Paul discussed some ideas that the Co-Chairs had regarding the idea of launching (You Rock Doc) campaign to acknowledge doctors that work in HIV Prevention.

Review Objectives & Evaluation/Adjourn:

Lorraine reviewed the meeting objectives and requested that the people complete the meeting evaluation form, in addition there was a verbal consensus that the meeting was informative and objectives that were discussed were met. Two objectives were removed from discussion because Dee Dee and Jenn were not in attendance to lead the discussion.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30PM

The meeting closed with the traditional *Red Ribbon Raffle*.

