



**Community Coalition Committee Meeting  
Behavioral Science Research, 2121 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Suite 230  
October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Minutes**

*Approved January 25, 2010*

#	Members	Present	Absent
1	Brown, Dedra	X	
2	Dawson, Dashia	X	
3	Hallmon, Rolando	X	
4	Jauregui, Jocelyn		X
5	Jones, Sandra	X	
6	McGowan, Ed		X
7	Nichols, Miriam	X	
8	Osorio, Blanche		X
9	Rivera, Hilda	X	
10	Robinson, Louis	X	
11	Spann, Annette	X	
12	Tamayo, George		X
13	Taylor, Diamond		X
14	Torres, Edwin		X
15	Waterman, Cheryl	X	
<b>Quorum = 6</b>			

Guests	
Aleida Avila	
Yajaira Cunningham	
Robert Hyde	
Tomas Martinez	
Felipe Navarro	
Janet Nichols	
David Rosado	
Gaylord Smith	
Staff	
Marlen Hernandez	
Kimberly Tardalo	

**I. Call to Order/Introductions**

The chair elect, Dedra Brown, called the meeting of the Community Coalition Committee to order at 6:18 p.m. She welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.

**II. Identify Resource Persons**

Ms. Brown indicated Behavioral Science Research (BSR) staff as resource individuals.

**III. Review Agenda**

The committee reviewed the agenda; Dashia Dawson was added to announcements.

**IV. Review/Approve Minutes**

The committee reviewed the minutes of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

**Motion to accept the minutes of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, as presented.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Miriam Nichols**

**Motion: Passed**

**V. Membership**

▪ **Report**

*Cheryl Waterman*

Staff received a committee application from Tomas Martinez. Mr. Martinez introduced himself and members voted to accept his application.

**Motion to accept Tomas Martinez as a member of the Community Coalition Committee.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Miriam Nichols**

**Motion: Passed**

Staff received two Partnership applications.

Janet Nichols applied for the Substance Abuse Provider Representative seat. Ms. Nichols introduced herself and stated her interest in membership. Members completed the new applicant score sheet and voted to recommend Ms. Nichols to the Partnership.

**Motion to approve the score sheet for Janet Nichols, as presented.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Miriam Nichols**

**Motion: Passed**

**Motion to recommend Janet Nichols to the Mayor as a member of the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership in the Substance Abuse Provider Representative seat.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Rolando Hallmon**

**Motion: Passed**

Ausline Paris applied for the Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Representative seat; Ms. Paris currently sits on the Oral Healthcare Subcommittee. Ms. Paris communicated to staff that she is unable to attend tonight's meeting but will be available for the November meeting. Members agreed to complete a new applicant score sheet and voted to recommend Ms. Paris to the Partnership.

**Motion to approve the score sheet for Ausline Paris, as presented.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Miriam Nichols**

**Motion: Passed**

**Motion to recommend Ausline Paris to the Mayor as a member of the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership in the Special Projects of National Significance Representative seat.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Rolando Hallmon**

**Motion: Passed**

## **VI. Standing Business**

### **▪ Community Events Update**

#### **- *SIDA***

There was a great turnout, many signatures were collected and Partnership materials were distributed. Hilda Rivera was recognized for her contributions to the community.

#### **- *Congregational Health Fair***

There is a fee for this event and there is not time for the Partnership to approve the fee; staff has asked to be advised in advance of upcoming congregational health fairs so that the Committee might have time to consider participation.

#### **- *World AIDS Day***

Mr. Robinson reported that the Community Mobilization Committee meets every Thursday at 3:00 p.m. at Empower "U" to plan the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Unity Awards. Sponsors and donations are needed; see fliers (copy of file) in meeting materials. There was a question about the cost of tickets and Mr. Robinson explained that as the event gets closer more accurate ticket prices will be available since sponsorship directly affects ticket prices.

#### **- *Free Publicity***

Rolando Hallmon passed around the Zion Hope Missionary Baptist Church 4<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary booklet for Rev. Dr. W. Edward Mitchell, Jr., and noted a quarter page Partnership advertisement

(Partnership postcard) which was included in the booklet free of charge.

▪ **Recruitment**

- ***Finalize T-Shirt Redesign***

Members discussed the t-shirt design and decided:

- The front of the shirt will show the Partnership logo stretched across the top center.
- The back of the shirt will read, "Unity in the Community," "Let Your Voice be Heard," and "Your Voice Counts," in the shape of a triangle.
- The triangle on the back will contain a red ribbon inside with the vision statement below.
- Shirts will be white with black font and red ribbons.
- Staff has discretion to work with the vendor to determine the size of the fonts, logo and ribbon.

**Motion to accept the t-shirt design, as described above.**

**Moved: Louis Robinson**

**Seconded: Dedra Brown**

**Motion: Passed**

- ***Update on Purchases***

Staff showed the committee the new Partnership water bottles. Tote bags and Partnership brochures have been ordered. Pens and pins are still in stock. A three language Provider Brochure is targeted for a November completion. All items are coming in under budget.

- ***Follow Up***

Annette Spann announced that Unity Health and Rehabilitation Center on 14<sup>th</sup> Street and NW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue has a meeting room available.

Members discussed replacing some regularly scheduled monthly meetings with presentations at agencies or support groups to promote membership. Staff noted that they have made several presentations at agencies, support groups and medical case management trainings in the past.

Sandra Jones suggested recruiting agency employees and stressing that Partnership and committee membership directly impacts the grant award.

**VII. Announcements**

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 has passed. There is an emphasis on connecting the newly diagnosed to care.

Members discussed bringing support group fliers to their doctors and having staff send fliers to the Miami-Dade Health Department for distribution to other clients who may not have access to the information.

Mr. Robinson announced a +Friends support group game night at Knights of Columbus on November 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Sandra Jones reported that the AIDS Insurance Continuation Program (AICP) is not accepting new clients any longer. She recommends members look into attending the next AICP board meeting in Tallahassee in March.

Ms. Dawson is hosting an event for youth on December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Double Tree near Miami International Airport from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Community bus pickups will be available and a free lunch will be given for the first

500 attendees. Ms. Dawson will send a flier to staff for distribution.

Ms. Brown announced that there will be a Diamonds in the Rough support group meeting on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Concept House.

Mr. Rivera announced that there will be a Here Where Dreams Come True support group meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the University of Miami.

**VIII. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting is November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 at BSR.

**IX. Adjournment**

Cheryl Waterman adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.