

**Harris County Systems of Hope
Cultural and Linguistic Competence Work Team
6300 Chimney Rock Road • Houston, Texas 77081
Wednesday, January 26, 2011 4:00 p.m.**

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Alma Bell, Julie Bourne, Rev. Dr. Robert Gilmore, Sherry Hubbard,
Dr. Samoan C. Johnson, Randy Joiner

- I. Dr. Samoan c. Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm.
- II. The minutes dated October 27, 2010 were reviewed and accepted as submitted.
- III. SOH Program Updates
 - a. SOH will reduce staff in February 2011. The reduced staff will include four parent partners and one social marketer positions. R. Joiner reported three positions from SOH will report to TRIAD, one supervisor and two care coordinator positions. The staff will engage in the wraparound process. R. Joiner also reported that SOH applied for the Meadow grant. Hopefully, the SOH staff will maintain until September 2011.
 - b. The webinar topic was discussed by Rev. Dr. Gilmore.
 - c. Language Interpreter Policy discussion – Section II. Policy language was changed to read:
 - i. It is preferred that an adult family member can serve as an interpreter for the youth/family enrolled SOH if a family member is unavailable, a youth can serve as an interpreter. L. Brown had requested that the work team review the Systems of Hope Language Access/Interpreter Policy and Procedures.
- IV. Announcements
 - a. Mental health issues –Alma Bell asked Rev. Dr. Gilmore if any congregations address mental health issues. Teen Court program at Cullen Missionary are participants in addressing mental health issues. He added that two judges participate: Judge Hilary Green and Judge V. Burney.
 - b. There will be a Domestic Violence Conference to take place on February 24, 2011 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Location TBA. The event will be coordinated by three community organizations—Houston Ministries Against Crime, Houston Police Department, and the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council.
- V. Meeting adjourned @4:45 p.m.