

**HOUSTON AREA HIV SERVICES
RYAN WHITE PLANNING COUNCIL**



We envision an educated community where the needs of all HIV/AIDS infected and/or affected individuals are met by accessible, effective, and culturally sensitive health and psychosocial services that are part of a fully coordinated system. The community will continue to intervene responsibly until the end of the epidemic.

The Houston Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) Ryan White Planning Council will improve the quality of life and advocate for those infected and/or affected with HIV/AIDS by taking a leadership role in the planning and assessment of HIV resources

MINUTES

11:30 a.m., Thursday, November 9, 2006

Meeting Location: 2223 W. Loop South, Room 416

Houston, Texas 77027

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Bruce Turner, Chair	Lester Byrd, excused	Mishele Lahard, COH
Ken Malone, Vice-Chair	Tonya Fisher, excused	Lydwing Anderson, COH
Gary Ainsworth	Stephen Garcia, excused	Jessica Davila, BCM
Burton Bagby	Danny Garza	
Jacquelyn Baldwin	Veronica Garza, excused	HIV Services:
David Bartholomew, III	Dena Gray	Charles Henley
Fide Cisnero	Gretchen Hollingsworth, excused	Mary Asomani-Nyarko
Johnetta Evans-Thomas	John Odom	Bakeyah Nelson
Tammy Garrison	Shannon Prudhomme, excused	
Yvette Garvin	Pete Rodriguez, excused	Office of Support:
Thomas Giordano	Glenn Taggart, excused	Tori Williams
Eddie Givens	Christy Varhaug, excused	Jennifer Kim
Kimberly Griffin	Cathy Wiley, excused	Diane Beck
Kevin Jackson		Georgette L. Monaghan
Sylvia Mazique	External Members:	
Michael Miller	Asia Johnson	
Askari Naqvi	Bernie Vázquez	
Eva Nyenya	James Malone	
Patrick Richoux	Osaro Mgbere	
Samuel Robinson IV	David Garner	
Cecilia Smith	Scott Beaver	
John Tuttle		
Steven Vargas		
David Watson		
Lesley Williams		

Call to Order: Bruce Turner, Chair, Ryan White Planning Council, called the meeting to order at 11:53 a.m. by asking for a moment of reflection.

Council Training: The Houston SPNS Project: Jessica Davila from the Harris County Hospital District presented the attached information that provided the Council with an update on the Houston SPNS Project.

We Appreciate Our External Committee Members: The following individuals received certificates of appreciation for their service as external committee members: Johnson, Vazquez, Malone, Mgbere, Garner and Beaver. The remaining members will receive their certificates by mail.

Adoption of the Agenda: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Ainsworth, Jackson) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.*

Adoption of the Minutes: *Motion: it was moved and seconded (Ainsworth, Jackson) to approve the October 12, 2006 minutes. Motion carried.* Abstentions: Ainsworth, Garrison, Miller, Naqvi, Nyenya, Richoux, Robinson IV, Smith and Williams.

Public Comment: None.

Reports from the Committees(See the attached chart at the end of the minutes for individual voting information):

Quality Assurance Committee: Gary Ainsworth, Co-Chair, presented the following information:
Reports from HIV Services: Ainsworth asked if there were any questions about the attached: FY 2006 Procurement Report, 2nd Quarter Service Utilization Report, 2nd Quarter Administrative Cost Report, 2nd Quarter WICY Report or Highlights of the 2nd Quarter FY 2006 Outcomes Report.

Comprehensive HIV Planning Committee: Malone, Vice-Chair, stated that the first Needs Assessment Group (NAG) meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 5, 2006. Tam Kiehnhoff will represent Title II as the NAG Co-Chair and Malone will represent Title I as the other Co-Chair. Kim and Garvin stated that there will be a Texas Health Planners meeting later in the day at which the Department of State Health Services will present their recommendations for Title II and State Service funded needs assessment activities.

Affected Community Committee: Johnetta Evans-Thomas, Co-Chair, reported on the following:
Oral Health and HIV: Over 33 people attended the educational presentation entitled "HIV and Oral Health". Evans-Thomas thanked Vazquez for his help with organizing the presentation.

World AIDS Day Events: See the attached list of 2006 World AIDS Day events.

Transportation: See the attached letter to the METRO Board of Directors and others.

Quarterly Committee Report: See the attached report.

Operations Committee: Michael Miller, Chair, gave the following reports:
Council Applicants: The committee has completed the interview process for all 2006 Council applicants.

Council Elections: See the attached for a current list of nominees as officers for the 2007 Ryan White Planning Council. Please see Michael Miller or Tori Williams to make an additional nomination.

Co-sponsorship: Per the attached policy, the Committee approved Council co-sponsorship of the Covenant Church World AIDS Day Interfaith Service.

Project LEAP Graduation: See the attached invitation. All Council members are invited to attend the graduation.

Quarterly Committee Report: See the attached report.

Priority & Allocations Committee: Yvette Garvin, Co-Chair, reported on the following:

October FY 2006 Requests for Allocation Increases: *Motion: To approve the attached recommendations for FY 2006 allocation increases. Motion carried.*

Quarterly Committee Report: See the attached report.

Report from the Office of Support: Tori Williams, Manager, Office of Support, summarized the attached report.

Report from HIV Services: Charles Henley, Director HIV Services, Harris County Health Department, summarized the attached report. Williams and Turner will meet with several City Council members next Wednesday to discuss the Council's concerns regarding the elimination of the Metro disability programs.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Titles II: Garvin stated that there is a Texas Title II Health Planner meeting today and tomorrow.

Latino Task Force on HIV/AIDS: Vargas summarized the attached report. The next meeting will be at 1:00 pm next week. Call Vargas for the date and location.

Announcements:

The December Steering Committee meeting will be on Thursday, November 30, 2006.

The December Council meeting will be on Thursday, December 7, 2006 at The Prince Complex.

Tuttle complimented Turner on the excellent speech that he gave at the Project LEAP graduation last night. Tuttle also stated that there is a group looking for a meeting location for a heterosexual PWA support group. Garvin suggested they contact her at The Resource Group.

Robinson stated that there is a CDC satellite program from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2006. The topic is: Mobilizing against HIV/AIDS in the African-American Community. On a sad note, Compassionate Brothers Chair, Donald Wiggins, passed away last Wednesday.

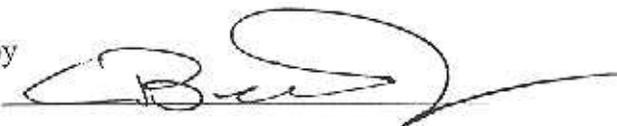
Adjournment: *Turner adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,


Victoria Williams, Manager

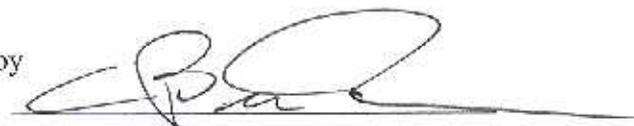
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Date

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Council Chair:



Date 11/30/06

Final Approval by
Council Chair:



Date 12/07/06

Scribe: Monaghan

JA = Just arrived at meeting
 LR = Left room temporarily
 LM = Left the meeting
 C = Chair of the meeting

2006 Council Meeting Voting Record for Meeting Date: 11-9-06

	Motion					Motion			
	From P & A					From P & A			
MEMBERS	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	MEMBERS	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Gary Ainsworth		X			Sylvia Mazique		X		
C. Burton Bagby		X			Michael Miller		X		
Jacquelyn Baldwin		X			Askari Naqvi		X		
David Bartholomew III		X			Eva Nyenya		X		
Lester Byrd	X				John Odom	X			
Fide Cisnero		X			Yvette Proctor		X		
Johnetta Evans-Thomas		X			Shannon Prudhomme	X			
Tonya Fisher	X				Patrick Richoux		X		
Stephen Garcia	X				Samuel Robinson IV		X		
Tammy Garrison	X				Pete Rodriguez	X			
Daniel Garza	X				Cecilia Smith		X		
Verónica Garza	X				Glenn Taggart	X			
Thomas Giordano		X			Bruce Turner				C
Eddie Givens		X			John Tuttle		X		
Dena Gray	X				Steven Vargas 12:13	X			
Kimberly Griffin 12:08	X				Christy Varhaug	X			
Gretchen Hollingsworth	X				David Watson		X		
Kevin Jackson		X			Cathy Wiley	X			
Ken Malone		X			Lesley P. Williams		X		