



HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL

Bayanihan Community Center
Barangay Hall
1010 Mission Street (6th and Mission)
San Francisco, CA 94102
Monday, May 18, 2009
4:30 - 7:30 PM

Council Members Present: Allgaier, Andrews, Antonetty, Banks, Byers, Chandler, Cooper, Flores, Guillen, Harris, Harrison, Heath, Jewell, Manley, Molnar, Newell, Pearce, Penagos, Philip, Pillatzke, Ramos, Scherich, Simmons, Siron, Soto, Spaeth, Thomas, Young

Council Members Absent: Briones, Frazier (LoA), Hicks (LoA), Margolis, Miller, Russo

Others Present: Jerrold Thomas (Applicant), Cherlynn Hubbard (Applicant), Carol Hudson (Applicant), Matt Geltmaker (Applicant), Cicily Emerson (Applicant), Rachel Matillano (Applicant), Bill Hirsch (ALRP), George Stevens (Public), Eric Whitney (DPH-HUH), Andrew Williams (DPH-HUH), Bill Blum (DPH-HHS), Dean Goodwin (DPH-HHS), Marshia Herring (DPH-HHS), Bill Haskell (LTCCC), Nancy Brundy (LTCCC), Moli Steinart (LTCCC), Lara Tannenbaum (Larkin Street)

Support Staff Present: Enrique Asis, Natalie Bryson, T.J. Lee

Minutes

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:43 pm by Co-Chair Manley.

2. **Roll Call**

Roll was called and quorum was established.

3. **Review and Approval of Agenda - VOTE**

The agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

4. **Review and Approval of April 27, 2009 Minutes - VOTE**

The April 27th, 2009 minutes were reviewed, CM Flores noted that the name of the Marin Council is the HIV/AIDS Care Council, not the HIV Health Services Planning Council. This change was adopted and the minutes were then approved by consensus.

5. **General Announcements**

- Co-Chair Manley announced that today would be CM Spaeth's last meeting and that she would be missed.
- CM Allgaier PWA gave the Council an update on the most recent PWA Caucus call of which Jeff Crowley from the President's Office of Management and Budget was on it. He noted that many issues were discussed ranging from needle exchange to the budget crisis, and that minutes will be available soon. He also announced that the "Voices of AIDS" study done by the CAEAR Coalition has been completed and is now available. He also noted that the

National AIDS strategy roundtable meeting at the will be held on Thursday, May 28th from 6-8pm at the Quaker Meeting House.

- CM Andrews announced that tomorrow, May 19th is world Hepatitis day. He also noted that there will be a retirement party for Ellen Sweetin on Wednesday, July 8th in San Mateo.
- CM Chandler apologized for needing to leave at the break.
- CM Flores wanted to show appreciation to CM Allgaier for giving a presentation on HIV and Aging to the Marin Care Council. He also gave thanks to CS Asis for providing a training for their new CMs. As a last note, he wanted to applaud CM Spaeth for all of her hard work for those in Marin living with HIV/AIDS.
- Co-Chair Thomas announced that WORLD (Women Organizing to Respond to Life Threatening Illnesses) will be holding a benefit on Thursday, June 11th.
- Co-Chair Manley noted that Council Support will no longer be bringing bottled water to Council meetings, and will instead provide filtered water and cups. He also updated the Council on Consumer Advocate Joe Lynn's prognosis.
- Co-Chair Molnar led the Council in a round of applause for CM Spaeth.

6. Public Comment

Bill Hirsch from AIDS Legal Referral Panel noted that the Department of Public Health is looking at \$140 million in cuts in an array of services and that on Wednesday, June 10th at 3pm there will be a rally held by the Budget Justice Coalition.

7. Council Support Update

Council Support T.J. Lee gave the Council a quick update on matters affecting the Council.

- He noted that the cups provided are biodegradable and can be thrown in the regular trash.
- He urged anyone who feels unsafe leaving the building after the meeting to find a buddy to walk to their car or public transportation with.
- He updated the Council on the AIDS walk-information booth, and the possibility of having the Prevention Council create a joint booth with the Care Council. The walk is Sunday, July 19th.
- He requested that anyone leaving or entering the room for any reason to please make sure that the door does not slam behind them.
- He thanked Co-Chair Molnar and CM Andrews for their help in getting the Gay Men's Cancer Support Group together.
- He announced that Co-Chair Molnar will be taking a two month leave of absence, and will be returning July 18th. He is doing this to fill in as Interim Director until Greg Zhovreboff returns.

There was no public comment on this item.

8. DPH-HHS Update

Bill Blum, the Interim Director of DPH-HHS gave the Council a quick update on the state of HIV Health Services. He noted that there is an additional \$2.7 million for the FY09 grant award, \$90,000 of which is for MAI. This includes the stop loss money received last year, but he noted that no earmark was applied for this year. He also noted that the Council scored a 97 out of 100 on their grant application, the highest in recent memory. He announced that the Council did not receive the 75/25 core waiver as it was not applied for correctly, and there is no possibility for

the Council to reapply. He noted that four EMAs applied, and only one was given a waiver. He gave a quick update on the recent staffing changes at DPH. He announced that they will be taking solicitations/RFP for council support in about 3-4 months. He announced that service summary sheets are being worked on, and although the format is same, the final reports will be slimmed down. He gave a quick update on the stakeholder meetings initially run by Michelle Long, former Director DPH-HHS. He noted that they will be continued but are on a hiatus until things become more settled at DPH.

There was no public comment on this item.

9. Membership Update - VOTE

- *The Membership Committee recommends that the HHSPC approve **Stacia Scherich** for renewal to the Council.*

Stacia Scherich was renewed unanimously.

- *The Membership Committee recommends that the HHSPC approve **Jerrold Thomas** for membership on the Council.*

Jerrold Thomas was approved unanimously.

- *The Membership Committee recommends that the HHSPC approve **Matt Geltmaker** for membership on the Council.*

Matt Geltmaker was approved unanimously.

- *The Membership Committee recommends that the HHSPC approve **Carol Hudson** for membership on the Council.*

Carol Hudson was approved unanimously.

- *The Membership Committee recommends that the HHSPC approve **Cherlynn Hubbard** for membership on the Council.*

Cherlynn Hubbard was approved unanimously.

- *Open nomination for new At-Large Steering Member.*

CM Allgaier nominated CM Heath. CM Andrews nominated CM Ramos. CM Cooper nominated CM Banks, but CM Banks did not accept.

CM Flores also noted that the Membership Committee is still looking for women of color for the Council.

There was no public comment on this item.

10. Approval of Final FY09 Budget – VOTE

The Council reviewed scenarios for funding based on the updated Fiscal Year 2009 budget that includes the grant award amounts. Co-Chair Thomas noted that the Council needs to do this to give final approval for the budget. To give some background, she noted that the SF DPH normally has about \$400 million in General Funds, but that they are being asked to cut \$140 million. What she thinks that Council needs to ask is how can they save as many services as possible with this money that they're received? These issues were discussed at Steering and acknowledge that 75/25 waiver was not granted. Bill Blum and Dean Goodwin from DPH-HHS presented spreadsheets with breakdown of funds. A discussion ensued.

Public comment:

Bill Hirsch from ALRP wanted to thank DPH for their hard work in creating budget scenarios that keep the San Francisco Model in mind. He also wanted to thank Nancy Pelosi for helping to get these dollars.

Marshia Herring from DPH-HHS gave her thanks as well, and wanted to point out that food is healthcare as well.

The Committee voted by roll call on the motion. See Attachment #1 for exact wording.

The motion passed unanimously.

11. Dinner

Dinner began at 6:00 pm and ended at 6:20 pm.

12. Housing Presentation – VOTE

Eric Whitney from DPH Housing and Urban Health provided the Council with information regarding Housing.

There was no public comment on this item.

13. Long Term Care Coordinating Council Presentation and Development of Work Group – VOTE

Bill Haskell provided the Council with information regarding the Long Term Care Coordinating Council.

MOTION: from the Consumer and Minority Affairs Committee to establish a joint working group with the Long Term Care Coordinating Council.

MOTION AMENDMENT: CM Banks/CM Allgaier to add that the work group will look at racial and ethnic disparities.

VOTE on motion amendment by show of hands passed unanimously.

VOTE on amended motion by show of hands passed unanimously.

There was no public comment on this item.

14. Conflict Resolution Policy – VOTE

The Council discussed the policy developed at the Council Member's Rights and Responsibilities Work Group and passed by Membership and Steering. A discussion ensued. CM Banks read from the minutes of the Policy and Evaluation Committee from February 2007. The Council decided that they couldn't pass the motion until the definition of "Draft Work Group Agreements" was laid out.

MOTION: Manley/Newell to table the motion until the next meeting.

VOTE by show of hands passed unanimously.

There was no public comment on this item.

15. New Business/Next Agenda

The next full council meeting date is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 22nd, 2009, 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Bayanihan Community Center, 1010 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

There was no public comment on this item.

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm by Co-Chair Manley.
