

**Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council
Care Council Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday May 30th, 2023 @ 2pm**

Members Present

Ashnika Ali
Chris Dowden
Lilia Perez
Lysette Perez
Kenny Talbot
Kristen Harrington
Tyrina Pinkney
Ashaki Sypher
Miguel Vasquez
Dr. Youssef Motii
Tad Fuller

Members absent

Damion Baker
Thomas McKissack
Richardo Jackson
Tyrina Pinkney
Nancy McConnell
Lisa Kemp
Denise Brown

Guests

Sandra Anderson
Cassandra Myers
Donna Sabatino
Jeanice
Tiffany
Ebonni Chrispin
Kim Rommel Enright
Irma
Robb Scott
Sandra Lazaro
Kathryn Mathieu
Denisse

CARE Council Staff

Neeta Mahani

Recipient Staff Present

Helene Hvizd
Jeffrey Lesanti
Dr. Daisy Wiebe
Sean Conklin
Shoshana Ringer
Dr. Casey Messer
Anna Balla
Gecica Tibert
Genève Simeus
Jasmin Rohoman

Recipient Staff Absent

Thomas Eaton

- I. The Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council Committee Meeting was **called to order at 2 P.M.** by Kenny Talbot. Roll call was taken, guests were introduced and there **was a quorum.**

- II. **A Moment of Reflection.**

A Moment of Silence

*A moment of silence is observed in respect to the memory of those individuals
Who have succumbed to AIDS and those who are living with HIV. Let us
Remember why we are here today. Let us have the strength to make the decisions that
Will improve the care of those we serve. Let us be thankful for what we have accomplished to date.*

- III. **Acceptance of Excused Absences:**
- IV. **Acceptance of the May 30th, 2023 CARE Council Meeting Agenda:**
- V. **Acceptance of the April 24th, 2023 CARE Council Meeting Minutes**
- VI. **Comments by the Chair: Requesting data presentation date in June from recipient staff and provide them a list of data**
 - June might to soon as other committees have a lot going on
 - Need to have a discussion on whether or not the data presentation will be separate from the council
 - Too much information and should be separate
 - Consult with the recipient staff first
 - Will have it in July 27-28th
 - More people need to start attending the meetings, especially in person as nothing can be done if there isn't a Quorum
- VII. **Public Comments: None**
- VIII. **Educational Moments: Florida Legislative repot- Donna Sabatino**
 - Pass a balance budget is one of the main roles of the Florida Legislative
 - Involved in HIV Care for about 30years
 - For about the third year now, a lot of the bills that are centered towards patients did not have an agenda
 - Almost a million people in Florida will not be re-determined for Medicaid
 - Clear Health Alliance
 - Highest budget the state has ever had
 - Broken down by general revenue and trust
- IX. **Unfinished Business and General Orders: None**
- X. **Old Business: Membership**
 - Wants to than everyone who is here today
 - Membership has not had the attendance needed
 - Members of the CARE Council have to be attending at least one other committee
 - Membership Committee will now only be In- Person only
 - Everyone's attendance is tracked for every meeting
- XI. **New Business:**
 - A. **Election for New Treasurer 2023**
 - Kenny Talbot nominates Dr. Youssef Motii
 - Dr. Youssef Motii is now the new Treasurer
 - B. **Positive living and USCHA members travels selections**
 - September 15th-17th 2023 (Positive living) @ Walton Beach in State Conference
 - September 5th-9th 2023 (Washington DC) Out of State
 - Kenny Talbot

- Dr. Youssef Motii
- Ashika Sypher
- Has to be in writing
- Motion to allow Kenny Talbot, Dr. Youssef Motii, and Ashika Sypher to attend the Washington D.CO Conference with an estimated expense of \$2000 per person- First Motion- Chris Dowden. Second Motion- Lysette Pérez. Motion carries

C. Updated recruitment flyers

- For prospective members
- Has to be in person
- Be aware of the threshold
- One per day not one per meeting
- Have to actively trying to become a member

D. October 27th 2023 retreat committee discussion

- 12pm-1pm or 1pm-2pm
- Have everything in the same place

E. Convene Bylaws committee meeting for changing the name of Adhoc housing to permanent Housing committee

- The motion that came forward needs to be amended
- The language is not reflective of what is being requested
- Need to have more eyes on it
- Only a few were involved
- Table to next CARE Council Meeting
- Motion to table New Business Item E for the next CARE Council meeting so that more information can be gained: First Motion- Kristen Harrington. Second Motion. Lysette Pérez. Motion Carries

XII. Standing Reports

A. CPP Update: Jennifer Kuretski or Dylan or Rob Scott

- Met in April
- Geneve presented on the integrated plans
- Reviewed some school based sexual and reproductive health items regarding the integrated plan
- Language was amended accordingly
- Next CPP Meeting will be Friday July 21st

B. Part Report: Patient care and 4BNWK Report: rob Scot

- No expenditure report today
- Position still open
- Have selected a candidate
- Might not be able to produce report by June but most definitely July
- Have until August to wrap up the 4B000 and 4B Network Fiscal year

C. HOPWA (West Palm Beach): Miguel Vasquez

- Have space for 20 more people

D. Palm beach count recipient report: Dr. Casey Messer- Housing and Healthcare Opportunities Program Perimeters

- Program coordinator position that recruitment is being done for
- Will be open for two weeks
- Case manager one position on housing and core team side have been filled
- Will be recruiting case manager trainee
- Administrative Technician position is Vacant
- Juanita has left the program and is no longer with us
- County HOPWA program is sun setting at the end of the month
- In its place, creating a new economic mobility program
- Housing and Healthcare Opportunities (H2O)
- Not a housing program, not a housing assistant; just includes components of it
- Up to 12 months

Closing out the grant year and starting a new grant year

E. Part A expenditure report: Jeffrey Lesanti

- Spent 70% of the Core Spending for last grant year
- Didn't need the waiver
- At this time were 10% expended
- There's still some expenses that need to be captured

F. Executive: Kenny Talbot

- **Did not have a Quorum**

G. LGBTQ+: Kim Enright

- **Did not meet**

H. LPAP: Chris Dowden

- **Has not met**

I. Membership: Lysette Pérez

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J. P & A: Dr. Motti

- **New Chair**
- **Very productive meeting**

K. QMEC: Neka Mckay

- **Nothing to report**

L. Planning: Chris Dowden

- Planning an abbreviated needs assessment
- Focusing topic on food insecurity
- Receiving a training from a HRSA Vendor
- First is on June 14th 12-2
- Second training is on June 21st from 12pm-2pm
- Shout out to Geneve and her hard work

M. Community Awareness: Richardo Jackson

- **In discussion of merging with Membership**

N. Housing Committee: Miguel Vasquez

- **Had a very informational meeting**
- **Learned about the new County Program**

O. Adhoc Bylaws: Kenny Talbot

- **Was tabled**

XIII. Other Business:

XIV. Announcement:

- **A Coalitions called We The People with about 40 organizations**
- **Acknowledging policies just passed**
- **Having a rally on July second in Fort Lauderdale at 9am**
- **March starting at 11am-11:30am**

XV. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 3:58pm

**Conflict of Interest*

A CARE Council member who has an identified conflict of interest must abstain from voting on issues related to that conflict. A member who does not abstain from voting on issues where a conflict is identified by the County's Commission on Ethics designated legal counsel may be removed from the CARE Council.