

**FAMILY CARE COUNCIL
APD AREA 13
May 10, 2010**

IN ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS: Betty Kay Clements, Tina Renwick, Isabel S deMartinez, Sandy Dayton, Sandy Shorey, Eileen Reidy, Karen Huscher, Phyllis Novak, Michael Payne,
MEMBERS ABSENT: Anna Brynild, Caryn Jones, Norman Price, Jennifer Knowles,
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS: Stephanie Hopper, Don Taylor, Virginia Taylor,
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS ABSENT: Eva Knowles,
APD STAFF: Brenda Stevens, David Johnston
VISITORS:

Meeting called to order at 10 AM by Chairperson Isabel S deMartinez.

MINUTES REVIEW/APPROVAL:

After a review of the April FCC minutes Eileen Reidy made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Karen Huscher and approved by consensus.

BUDGET REPORT/BUDGET REVIEW:

Betty Kay reported in absence of Treasurer Norm Price that the financials from the Tally report show a balance of \$5,482, with encumbrance of \$250 for Forum Hotel bill. That shows appx. \$5, 232 balance. FCC records show a balance of \$5,180, if the month of July and August expenditures for computer air cards were showing. Betty Kay has researched the fact that they do not show up and at this point there is no answer. Funds of appx. \$1,000 are available for next waitlist meeting, pending approval by members. Should that not occur this could be moved to Café expenditures. Café expenditures approved to be \$2500 at this time; more detail will be discussed and approved at the June meeting. Travel for May and June meetings, FCCF meeting and supplies should cover the budget well for this fiscal year. Eileen mentioned purchasing a FCC Banner for events and that will be addressed with the new fiscal year budget.

AREA ADMINISTRATOR REPORT/UPDATE:

David Johnston reported that CDC+ is moving ahead with trainings. They have trained about 70 representatives and others are interested. They have 10-15 signed up for this Saturday.

Regarding PCA for individuals under 21, David reminded that services from Med Waiver will discontinue and go to Medicaid State Plan. They are working with providers to get AHCA approval, as it appeared some were not proceeding with it. Area has gotten with WSC's also.

Karen Huscher related that Korey's PCA provider has pin but no #. Sandy Dayton suggested she call Angela Jacobs. This should be working with no break in service. Karen concerned with an issue regarding Korey turning 18 end of May that David has agreed to check on.

Area APD Staff updating care plans for 2010/11. They are hoping to know if there will be a provider cut to avoid redoing. Also completing tier project of 1800 reviews, David said.

IbudgetFlorida passed and implementation will be the emphasis this year. It is seen as a chance to avoid managed care by many.

State Budget passed with some concerns averted. Tier 1 raised to 150,000 and Intensive Behaviors exempted. Behavior ASST. restored, but 2.5 cut to most providers and Tiers 2,3,4, remains. AT Federal level the Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (FMAP) remains a concern at this time.

David announced office changes and said Brenda will now do Residential Monitoring and continue as FCC liaison. Pat will do Delmarva.

David and Betty Kay have been invited to a leadership meeting in Tally May 18th.

Discussion of managed care ensued. Karen said that the Senate seems to know it won't work for DD population and the pilots that have gone on should have opened eyes. Betty Kay stated that the House was not listening to the concerns of the DD population at all. She stressed that this will be important to pursue relationships starting now for next year's session.

FCCF REPORT:

Betty Kay reported that legislative activity is the prime concern at this time. There will be continued letters and calls regarding issues of concern in the Budget. She restated that the iBudget is seen as an alternative to managed care and so there will be many opportunities to participate and learn more about iBudget as it goes forward. FCCF meeting is this Friday and Saturday. She is not sure yet who will be doing the updates from APD. The Arc lobbyist, Dixie Sansom is presenting and will give a personal, upfront analysis of what she experienced at the session this year. She has been instrumental in keeping families engaged in the legislative process.

AQL REPORT:

Continuing to work on resource issues and in particular gathering Dental information. Related Lake County free Medical/Dental program advancing. No details yet.

DISCUSSION OF 3rd QUARTERLY WAITLIST/FAMILY FORUM:

Review of what works discussed at length. David is looking to do next meeting in the Lake triangle area. Probably set for end of June or into July. Betty Kay has not heard from Aaron

as to participation for another dance. David to get with FCC members before setting up date and place. Some discussion of sending a postcard with mailings for FCC waitlist contact.

CAFÉ DISCUSSION:

Lengthy overview of expenses for attending CAFÉ occurred. Following availability of funds review and possible combination of coverage by FCC, Eileen made a motion to cover up to \$2600 overall. Karen seconded and motion passed by consensus. This will be spread over as many people as possible. Letter from self-advocate Shawn Mims requesting assist will be considered along with others who are to contact Betty Kay with details. At this time, possibly Don Taylor, Caryn Jones, Phyllis Novak, Karen Huscher and Jennifer Knowles and Isabel planning to attend.

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES:

Isabel presented names of 5 current FCC members whose appointment for their first term is up soon. They are Norm Price, Anna Brynild, Tina Renwick, Sandy Shorey and Jennifer Knowles. A motion was made and seconded to approve their applications for second term and motion was passed by consensus. Betty Kay reminded them that they are still voting members until reappointment decision is made. Some discussion as to how current policies of application might apply with a new Governor.

Isabel announced that there would be no July meeting. If waitlist forum is held in July, FCC members will still be a part of it. A special meeting or conference call can be arranged.

VISITOR/MEMBERS INPUT:

Isabel asked for some of the good news members have to share. Sandy Dayton said her daughter has just had her second baby. Karen said that Korey was part of the Boys and Girls Track Awards at school. Tina is attending Disney tomorrow with friends and looking forward to it.

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business, meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am. Next meeting scheduled for June 14, 2010 at the APD office from 10:00 am–12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Kay Clements
Area 13 FCC Secretary