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**Family Care Council
Sun Coast Region, Pinellas & Pasco Counties**

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February 20th, 2006 Minutes

Council Members Present:

Louise Reinecke, Brian Simpson,
Sandy Carpenter, Virginia Ruf,
Beverly DeStories, Tyler LeClair,
Rob Mochrie

Absent or Excused:

Barbara Ireland, Judy Senick,
Margaret Watkins

APD Liaison:

none

Board Meeting

Beverly DeStories called the meeting to order and asked those present to introduce themselves at 6:45pm. Sandy Carpenter was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a total of twenty-five present. Beverly DeStories asked the board members to stand up and they identified themselves. There wasn't an APD (Agency on Persons with Disabilities) Liaison present.

Business

Secretary's Report: December 2005 and January 2006 minutes were tabled until next month.

Financial Coordinator: No treasures report.

Co-Chairperson's Report: Beverly DeStories mailed out the applications and got a letter stating that they received her and Ron Hutchins's application. She also discussed concern over East Suncoast Region FCC group that has been suspended.

Administrator Assistant: Discussed needing an Administrator Assistant. Still looking for someone to fill this paid position. Angie Wulf-Liles has been emailing FCC notices. Beverly DeStories entered a motion that Angie get paid for this position. Virginia Ruf first it and Rob Mochrie seconded it. All were in favor; it was voted unanimously.

Program: The program at this month's meeting was done by Paula Boenig (Disability Navigator Specialist) and Julius R. Baker, Sr. (Disability Program Navigator) of WorkNet Pinellas. [4140 49th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33709, Telephone number: (727) 328-3370, Fax: (727) 328-3344, Email: jbaker@worknetpinellas.org] "WorkNet Pinellas One-Stop Career Centers are here to assist you with your career. If you are unemployed, considering a career change, or seeking training, the WorkNet Staff will provide support with all aspects of your career development and enhancement." They can help an individual: "find a job, create a resume, labor market information, education and training." Like an employment agency for Pinellas County. As a group we discussed job carving and the need for emergency plans for individuals with developmental disabilities.

Old Business: none

New Business: Ann Millan does not know how many letters went out for people on the waiting list, but she knows additional letters have gone out. She also talked to FARF and they are very concerned that people did not get on the Waiver this year like they should have. The East Suncoast Region FCC group has been suspended by Carl Littlefield. Ann Millan made up cards to be distributed at the Provider Fair that is suppose to help find people interested in filling those board positions. We are the second largest Family Care in region next to Miami. She brought name tags for the Provider Fair. All providers will have name tags and be listed in the books that will be handed out to consumers. The books has lots of valuable information including Celebrate Employment section, a form to fill out if you want to know where you are at on the waiting list. Ann Millan is looking for a thousand people to be at the Fair. Kevin Edwards will be speaking 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Board Members are expected to attend and to volunteer.

APD Liaison Report: There was none present. Zoharah Peters had notified Beverly DeStories that she was unable to attend. She was having a provider's problem. (Continued on the next page...)

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Citizen's Time: Discussed state dollars and how the money is being distributed. Medicare part D appears to be going well with most consumers know of from this FCC group.

Non-Agenda Announcements: Bill Culhane said on March 22, 2006 is a Town Hall Meeting at UPARC. Our next FCC Meeting will be on Monday, March 20, 2006, at 6:30 PM at UPARC, The Long Center. (1501 North Belcher Road, Clearwater, FL 33765.) All are invited to socialize at McDonalds after the meeting to fellowship and discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. Beverly DeStories entertained the motion to adjourn the meeting Rob Mochrie first and Louise Reinecke seconded it. All were in favor; it was voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Reinecke