

## FAMILY CARE COUNCIL FLORIDA

Mary Smith, Chairperson

September 17, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Embassy Suites, Orlando Airport

### Members Present:

Mary Smith, FCCF Chair, FCC4  
Patty Houghland, FCCF Vice Chair, FCC1  
Pauline Lipps, FCCF Past Chair, SC East  
Ruth Wingate, FCCF Secretary, FCC15  
Mary Ellen Ottman, FCCF Treasurer, FCC12  
Paula James, Suncoast West  
Dan Bayley, FCC7  
Patricia Oglesby, FCC8  
Martha Stuart, FCC9  
Marty Norris, FCC10  
Karen Huscher, FCC13  
Tony Mancuso, FCC15

**APD FCCF Liaison:** Stephanie Rogers

### Guests:

Joseph Young, FCC12  
Patricia A. Bell Kennealy, FCC9  
Cynthia Dyer, Suncoast West  
Howard Fetes, FCC7  
Diane Ciccarelli, FCC15  
Karen Tappin, FCC15  
Lisa Lupi, FCC15  
Bridgette King  
Stephanie Weis, DCF Areas 7, 13, 14  
Clarence Lewis, ROM, APD Central Region  
Manyvone Champavannarath, APD FCC14 Liaison, by phone

### Guest Speakers:

Tom Rankin, Deputy Director of Operations, APD  
Deborah Linton, CEO, Arc of Florida  
Kathy Clinton, Comptroller, Arc of Florida  
Suzanne Sewell, President and CEO, Florida ARF

Meeting called to order at 8:38 a.m.

### COUNCIL ACTION:

**Moved by M. Ottman, seconded by P. James to accept the July 16, 2016 minutes as presented. Motion passed.**

Treasurer M. Ottman gave the budget report. \$2,917.10 has been expended to date with \$12,082.90 remaining. FCCF 2015/2016 budget was spent down to approximately \$1,000.00.

Process sheets were distributed by the Chair for future FCCF committee work that identifies the committee chair, purpose and title, objective, meeting dates, assigned tasks, action taken, target date, status and completion date of committee work.

The Chair identified two committees: the Legislative Platform committee, and volunteers included Chair of Committee P. Lipps, and members P. Kennealy, K. Tappin, H. Fetes, D. Bayley, M. Norris, M. Ottman and D. Ciccarelli; the second, the Profile Committee, includes M. Stuart, P. James and P. Houghland. Both committees will meet as noticed by the committee chair. The Legislative Platform committee presented a draft summary from their first meeting. Profile Committee met and M. Stuart will send summary to members and set a timeline for accomplishing tasks for the project. R. Wingate will submit the edited version of FCC accomplishments at the next meeting for approval and bring the template for the letter to the Governor to accompany the submission.

All members were asked to gather consumer profiles from their local members for the Profile Committee to present during the upcoming legislative session.

Two questionnaires were distributed by the Chair on topics including meeting quality/potential improvements, and opportunities to volunteer time for Council activities.

**Moved by M. Ottman, seconded by P. Oglesby to pay travel expenses for M. Smith to represent FCCF at the ROOF/APSE conference in Orlando on October 12, 13. Motion passed.**

**Moved by M. Norris, seconded by P. Oglesby to pay travel expenses for P. Lipps to represent FCCF at the next Delmarva Quality Council. Motion passed.**

### SPEAKERS:

**Tom Rankin, Deputy Director of Operations discussed:**

- Carlton Palms transition plan update;
- TRAIN access and implementation issues. An instruction sheet will be sent to the Council by Arc to guide access to this training for families. Access issues can be directed to Pam London at Pamela.London@apdcares.org.;
- iBudget update: The new algorithm is being rolled out, with more factors now considered, and is the starting point for funding, not the final budget. New iBudgets become effective for individuals when their next support plan is created;
- Update on families moving from waitlist to Waiver enrollment;
- Provider rates update: Milliman study intended to support increased provider rates. Last year's rate increase was a non-recurring budget allocation, and
- The APD automated incident management system, implemented on July 15, 2016.

Attachment "A" includes the CMS Transition Plan, September 17, 2016 update. Attachment "B" includes the iBudget rules, EZ iBudget Calculator and Amount Implementation Meeting (AIM) worksheet, and Attachment "C" includes the Waitlist to Waiver Update sheet.

**Deborah Linton, CEO, Arc of Florida discussed:**

- Joint legislative platform with Florida ARF;
- Arc U.S. national convention in Florida on October 27, 28 and 29;
- Arc statewide self-advocacy conference on October 12, 13 and 14 at Rish Park;
- TRAIN rollout issues for provider required training and holdup in background screening;
- Provider pay rates 11% below 2003 rates;
- The 20% increase for providers to purchase Workmen's Compensation;
- Availability of group home financing to nonprofits for construction and renovation;
- Their special appropriation for a free 40-hour behavior technician training course;
- Maximum Potential Kids training for 400 families;
- Supported Decision Making training provided on their webinars and the TRAIN system;
- Dealing with Inappropriate Sexual Behaviors training for about 200 professionals and families;
- Creating enclave housing without federal approval;
- The record number of choking deaths, and
- Nursing and respite care shortage

**Kathy Clinton, Comptroller, Arc of Florida discussed:**

- Arc dental program. Website at arcdental.org, includes applications for dental care and videos, and
- Gardiner scholarship program tutoring provided by certified teachers through Arc

Attachment "D" includes the Gardiner scholarship program flyer

**Suzanne Sewell , President & CEO of Florida ARF discussed:**

- FARF Legislative Platform;
- Concerns about inequity between Medicaid state plan rates and iBudget rates;
- Direct care workforce crisis;
- Classification of workers as Direct Support Professionals by collaborating with Workforce Boards, and
- Alternatives to the hiring requirement of a year's experience such as youth training programs, on-the-job training or job shadowing

Attachment "E" includes the FARF Legislative Platform and Attachment "F" includes the Direct Care Workforce Crisis

**The Chair will send the powerpoint presented at this meeting about the provider rate crisis to members.**

Members presented local Area updates.

Meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Wingate, FCCF Secretary

**Next FCCF meeting: November 18, 2016, Embassy Suites, Orlando Airport, Orlando, FL**

