

Haralson Family Connection Coalition

Quarterly Meeting

Minutes

July 16, 2009

Board Members Attendance: Dana Bailey, Anthony Berryhill, Benjamin Biggers, Pete Bridges, Jennie English, Keena Hardin, Walter Hatchett, Betty Rae Kiser, Vicki Lambert, John Lebowitz, Doris Liner, Terrell McBrayer, Richard Robinson, Sumiko Stroud, Linda Ware, Jim Winchester

Other Service Providers and Interested Parties: Courtney McDonald, Wendy Bonner, Lori Franklin, Diane Irvin, Adrienne Haycock, Beppi Thompson, Phillip Eidson.

1) Call to order: Chair, Anne Chaffin, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

- Chair asked each attendee for introductions

2) Minutes

Call for discussion/motions on minutes from April 23, 2009 meeting:

- **(M)**Motion by Walter Hatchett, no discussion, second Linda Ware, approved unanimously.

Call for discussion/motions on minutes from Exec. Comm. Meeting:

- Coordinator attached the incorrect meeting minutes by accident. **(A)** Coordinator to email correct minutes to all this afternoon.

3) Officer's Reports

Chair: Anne Chaffin

- Chair informed board that Cathy Miller (Haralson Behavioral Health) resigned from the board late in June. She recognized Cathy Miller for her service to the board, indicated that a letter of thanks was sent to her.

Treasurer: Coordinator acting for Richard Meigs

- Coordinator indicated that the budget year ended June 30 and that the GaFCP grant was completely exhausted, further that the organization had a balanced budget and just over \$40 in the bank. The new GaFCP grant year began July 1, 2009.
- **(M)**Call for discussion/ motion to accept finance report. Motion by John Lebowitz, Second by Sumiko S., passed unanimously.

4) Staff Report: Jim Winchester

- Public Relations Activities
 - Tallapoosa Lion's Club
 - Tallapoosa City Council
 - Mentor Breakfast

- New Programs and funding efforts
 - Discussion of Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program. Coordinator to keep information passed along to partners about this program. It is in the application stage at this time.
 - Possible funding for Mentoring programs in both school systems from Truancy Intervention Program. **(A)**Coordinator to follow-up on this.
 - Request from Sewell Foundation for help with operating expenses denied (\$1200)
 - Request from Sewell Foundation for help for Bremen Mentoring program denied (\$1200)
 - Possible funding available for Early HeadStart from stimulus funding package. **(A)** Coordinator to follow up on this.
 - Grant from WalMart to Ferst Foundation authorized, not yet received.
- Results from survey about quarterly meeting purpose and content revealed.

5) Committee Reports

Nominating Committee

- Nominating committee chair, Steve Sampler, not in attendance. Coordinator reports vacancies on the board of directors as indicated on agenda. Nominating committee is hereby activated to address these vacancies.
 - Vacancies shall be filled and confirmed at the regular October meeting of the board of directors.
 - Coordinator asked for nominations from the group, none offered.
- Collaborative Communication and Dev- Committee Chair, Vicki Lambert, reviewed work done by committee. (Summary was included with the agenda) No discussion.
- Adolescent/Adult Literacy and Workplace Readiness Committee, and Safe and Stable Families and Childhood Literacy Committee- Coordinator gave report on foundational work done by these committees. (Summary was included with agenda) No discussion.
- Transportation and Healthcare Committee Report- Committee chair, John Lebowitz, met with Dire. Of Haralson Transit to gather information about possibly restoring cut services (due to budget cuts) if they had additional resources (dollars). Trips for work and rides to senior center not happening right now. Doing only medical appointments and shopping. Discussions will continue.

6) Old Business

- Coordinator Contract-
Recommendation by the Executive Committee for Jim Winchester to continue as coordinator. Executive Committee working on contract for him.
- Amendment to by-laws
 - Regarding amendments to section 4.2-4.4- **(M)**motion by Dr. McBrayer to adopt changes, call for discussion, none, second by Walter Hatchett, passed unanimously

- Regarding the 2010-2012 Community Strategic Plan, 2010 Annual Plan
 - These documents have been approved by GaFCP and are now posted on the Haralson FC website.
- MOU's with collaborative partners
 - **(A)** Under construction, will be completed soon and presented to service provider for signatures.
- Regarding outstanding bills on old office location
 - All expenses have been paid in full

9) New Business-

- FY2010 budget discussion- Coordinator reports that FY2010 spending plan is still in development. Executive committee will be wrapping this up at a called meeting within the next week. Coordinator reports that the budget for FY2010 is set at \$47,000 (GaFCP grant). He also explained that there is a chance that the grant from GaFCP could be increased to a maximum of \$48,500.

10) Other activities: Presentations by Partners

- KidsNet- Wendy Bonner shared information and specific services of KidsNet organization
- Child Protective Services- Courtney McDonald presenting.
- Bremen Food Bank- Sumiko Stroud shared information about the upcoming school supplies give-away by her organization at the Bremen High School this Saturday. Chair, Anne Chaffin, thanked everyone for showing support by bringing supplies to donate to this cause.
- McKinney Vento Act- Ruthie Saknini Woody of the Haralson County School System reports that the program assisted 500 + students. Reminded members of McKinney-Vento criteria for homeless and families helped through school supplies, medical and dental needs, as well as counseling and tutoring. Outreach 2009 was very successful.

11) There being no other business.....Adjournment by Chair

Next regularly scheduled quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors will be on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the Haralson County Chamber of Commerce.