

**FLORIDA LOCAL ADVOCACY COUNCIL
Jacksonville Multi-Program
Service Area 5**

November 21, 2006

Members Present

Pat Goff – Chair
Travers O'Connor – Vice-Chair
Denise Johnson

Members Absent

Janet Imler – Excused
Maria Vivas – Excused
Sonia Lavin - Excused

Staff/Guests

Bryan Morgan (LAC)

OPEN SESSION:

Chair, Pat Goff called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. without quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Due to there being no quorum established, the approval of minutes has been tabled.

DISCUSSION:

Chair asked Bryan Morgan, staff, if any applications had been received for service area 5, Multi-program. There had not been any recent applications. Bryan let council know that he followed up via email to one potential applicant and received a positive reply just before the meeting. Staff will contact the individual and forward the application and an invite to the January 9th, 2007 meeting. Including Mimi's application, the gentleman that staff contacted and another person, the potential applicant count is at 3.

It was requested by council for Bryan to confirm member's categories (provider, consumer, etc.) and give a report to make sure incoming members do not exceed the allowed positions. Staff will confirm and report back to council.

The Chair informed staff that DCF is inquiring about equipment purchased by the LAC in April of 2004. This includes a laptop computer and a camera. It was questioned if the camera was sent to Penina Popper of the LAC over a year ago. The laptop has been in the possession of the Chair as it is considered LAC property. The laptop has not had virus protection and is coming due to the current, free program's expiration. Staff will check with SAC office to see if there are available programs for internet protection. DCF has contacted the Chair since inventory is being audited and it is unknown if they will request the items back even though DCF and the LAC are since then, unaffiliated.

Chair informed council that there was a request for two presentations by the LAC to the district. During the DCF Jacksonville Stake Holders conference in October 13, 2006, Pat and Bryan were approached to inform employees at a monthly support coordinator and leadership meeting. No date has been set as of yet.

OLD BUSINESS:

Budget/Staff Announcements – Bryan Morgan reported that this council has a balance of \$1,484.35 as of November 21, 2006. Bryan also handed out a Local Advocacy Council Member Time Record sheet. This is a new form Bryan is asking be filled out and returned at each meeting. The purpose of this form is to correctly track member time spent on council work. This is to include phone calls, travel time, case investigation time and monitor time. Five copies were given to all members.

SAC Report – No SAC report was given since all members in attendance had attended the Statewide Advocacy Council meeting at Singer Island on November 14th, 2007.

Success Stories/Annual Report- None to report at this time.

Monitor Reports – :

Monitor of Hodges Cluster ICF, to be done by council at end of meeting. Bryan Morgan spoke to Administrator, Joe Deluca and was told the LAC can monitor at any time. Joe had asked Bryan to have council ask for Pat Morrison upon arrival.

It was unclear if the verbal permission would allow staff to see files and have a room available to do so. It was suggested the council tour the facility then have staff email the formal document with a softened cover letter, to the facility for a more in depth review/monitor visit in January. It was agreed by council that SAC member, and Chair, Linda Rubens, be asked to join council on the formal monitoring due to her medical background.

Monitoring assignments: Council reviewed the monitor work plan for future monitor visits and still hope to stay on goal set by last meeting.

It was suggested that the intended Bank of America daycare be checked of its licensing status beforehand to make sure LAC has jurisdiction.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council reviewed the discussion at the SAC meeting pertaining to the low membership councils. In the event of a merger between the Jacksonville MH and MP councils, the current membership with MP is open to it. It was suggested that a 3 p.m. meeting would be preferred rather than a 1 p.m. meeting if the morning meeting time is not available to the MH members.

It was asked if there were procedures still in place to keep members living in one service area from claiming another service area as workable. In example, someone living in St. John's County may have an interest in working for the Jacksonville council due to their location. Staff will research and let council know.

The Chair had suggested a speaker for the January meeting. There has been some interaction with DCF and the Attorney General's office on joint investigations of Medicaid fraud. Due to reviews of notifications for Medicaid fraud, the AG has Home Safe Net reviewers in Tallahassee sending potential notifications to Miami to be forwarded to regional offices for review. It was understood these investigation teams were modeled after a PACE program in Orlando. Bryan will inquire about the PACE program and report back to council. Bryan will also offer an invitation to the AG office for the January 9th, 2007 meeting.

LAC is still not receiving abuse notifications as it should. Members have said they receive very few if any in the last four months.

Correspondence: None

Announcements: There is no meeting scheduled for December. January 9, 2007 is the next meeting date, currently scheduled at the DCF building on Arlington Expressway, 9 a.m.

With no further business the council adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Signature on File
Bryan Morgan
LAC Staff

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Patricia Goff
LAC /MP Chairperson

cc: Florida Local Advocacy Council, SA5 MP
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