



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community April 21, 2008

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on April 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library Tempe Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections
Sharon Gilbert (for Randy Lazar), Tempe Union High School District
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Grace Ku, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Cynthia Goertz, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation
Luke Mathers (for Ginae Klasek), Peer Solutions
Trish Miller, Community Bridges

MEMBERS Absent:

Veronica Castillo, Chicanos Por La Causa
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Kim Costales, Tempe Elementary School District
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC

City Staff Present:

Kathy Berzins, Community Services – Social Services
Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services
Kim Bauman, Community Services – Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez, Tempe Municipal Court
Rick Rager, Tempe Municipal Court

Guests Present:

Rindy Corn, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Elena Hernandez, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Linda Smith, Magellan Health Services of Arizona

Meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Kathy Berzins called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from March 17, Meeting

The minutes from March 17, 2008 were reviewed.

MOTION: Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Nancy Rodriguez seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Magellan Health Services

Linda Smith, Community Training Liaison, Magellan Health Services provided information on Magellan's services.

- 1) Magellan serves approximately 70,000 behavioral health recipients. These recipients are comprised of 17,000 mentally ill clients and 50,000 to 55,000 general mental health clients who typically have a co-existing substance abuse disorder.
- 2) Quarterly 40 hour crisis intervention team trainings are provided for law enforcement officers on how to effectively work with seriously mentally ill (SMI) and developmentally disabled (DD) individuals.
 - The goal of the trainings is to provide the tools for law enforcement officers to de-escalate situations with SMI and DD individuals and to take them to an urgent psychiatric center (UPC) rather than jail.
 - During the past four months there has been a 300% increase in emergency petitions by police officers.
- 2) The petition process was explained.
 - A psychiatric evaluation at the UPC for an emergent petition can be requested by anyone if it is warranted.
 - A petitioner can go to the UPC to file a petition and a pick-up order by the police if needed. Also, if the case is not high risk they can call Magellan for a non-emergent petition at 1-800-564-5645.
 - The individual must have a mental disorder and be a danger to self or others and there must be two witnesses for the series of petition hearings.
 - Individuals are first assessed at UPC and if the case goes forward are then further evaluated at Desert Vista.
 - Court ordered psychiatric treatment can occur and those individuals automatically become recipients of Magellan Health Services.
- 4) Magellan also provides mental health services to children.
 - Individuals can contact the Magellan Customer Service to schedule an evaluation.
 - Magellan will attempt to set up the child with ACCESS and will try to provide services for the child.
 - Sliding scale services are available for children who have private insurance.

Agenda Item 4– Communities For Kids Update

- 1) **Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools** provided the following updates:
 - The Holdeman Spanish speaking “Don’t Wait to Educate” series is going very well.
 - The City has received the Tempe 100 Best Communities grant which will focus on covering all children with health insurance. An outreach worker will enroll children in Kids Care, and the family in food stamps and other needed resources. Also the parents will receive a free book on children care and a resource guide that contains a free health

kit. Families will receive coverage, knowledge on what to do when their child gets sick and resources.

Agenda Item 5 – Grant and Program Updates

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** and **Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in School** reported that the City of Tempe in partnership with Tempe Community Council, EMPACT-SPC , and Chicanos Por La Causa have submitted an application for the new Magellan prevention funding. In addition, due to the \$150,000 limitation on direct service funding, STAND & SERVE and Chicanos Por La Causa, have also submitted separate proposals for services in Tempe. The overall focus of the new Magellan RFP is that prevention services be community driven and that providers take their direction from that process. It is our hope that this committee can continue to aid in coordinating those efforts.

Agenda Item 6 – Announcements

- 1) **Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District** announced they nominated Lynette Stonefeld and Communities in Schools for an Arizona Schools Public Relations Association award. Lynette was selected for the award and will be honored at a luncheon.
- 2) **Lynette Stonefeld** announced that the annual Communities In Schools (CIS) breakfast will be held on Friday, April 25th 7:30 a.m. at Hatton Hall. CIS founder Bill Milliken will be presenting at the event.
- 3) **Sharon Gilbert, Tempe Union High School District** announced that the district has hired an individual to look at resources that connect to grants and awards.
- 4) **Kim Bauman** reminded members that the 2008 YouthFest Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition Dinner will be held on Monday, May 5th. RSVP's and payments are due by April 23rd.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- Presentation on STAND & SERVE Program.
- Presentation by CPS outreach liaison Mellissa Zeller
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **May 19, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Kathy Berzins, Chair