

Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery
Steering Committee
Meeting Minutes
1/27/06

Present: Sarah Goldstein, Sharon Alberts, Mary Jo Dickson, Jan Boyd, Wes Sowers, Robin Spencer, Tom Lee, Craig Dorin, Tom Devereaux, Shirlee Hopper-Scherch, Geoffrey Stillson, Darlene Cridlin, and Harold Hartger, Mike Gruber.

Welcome and Introductions

Co-Chair Sharon Alberts called the meeting to order.

Announcements

1. There were no announcements.

Minutes

Minutes from the 12/9/05 meeting were approved.

Decision Items

1. The ACCR Letter of Agreement (LOA) Authorization Process was unanimously approved.
2. Sherry Shaffer was nominated by the Family and Child Committee to be the provider co-chair. The nomination was unanimously approved by the SC.
3. The draft Outcome Goals document was unanimously approved. The SC also passed a motion authorizing all committees to prioritize their goals and formulate a budget to be presented at next month's SC meeting.

Discussion Items

1. *Steering Committee Goal/Activities Prioritization*
There was discussion about what the priorities of the SC should be. Sharon, Tom, and Jan volunteered to develop budget for just the Steering Committee's activities.
2. *System Transformation*
Geoffrey Stillson who is coordinating the Allegheny County system transformation initiative briefed the SC on the structure and function of the Change Management Team and the Transformation Committee.
3. *ELI Update*
The Emerging Leadership Institute is on track to offer 2 courses during April and May. Each course will consist of 6 classes. After the completion of the 6 classes, 3 more classes that are open to others not registered for the six classes will take place. Jan met with Mike Reber and Brenda Lee and has resolved a number of issues that have come up.
4. *Committee Reports*

- a. Public Awareness Committee – Is planning an event called “Undependence Day” which will take place July 3. More details will be forthcoming.
- b. Education Committee – The recovery booklet, Building Better Tomorrows, was mailed out to SCUs and a number of other programs for distribution. A subcommittee is working to develop a statement about the universality of recovery that covers both mental health and D&A recovery.
- c. Quality Committee – Continues to work on developing a unified recovery planning process. The committee is still struggling with how consumers can own their plans and how to make the plans portable to multiple agencies.
- d. Child and Family Committee – Sherry Shaffer agreed to co-chair. The Committee is adding a section on prevention to the Guidelines document.
- e. Consumer/Provider Collaborative – Has completed its brochure about dialogues. The Committee is helping to supply consumers who are interested in participating in dialogues at the Keystones for Collaboration and Leadership Transforming Community Psychiatry March 3 & 4.

Next Meeting:

January 27, 2006 – 12:30-2:15 Life’s Work, 1323 Forbes Avenue