

Area 2 Steering Committee Minutes

Date: March 13, 2008

Location: APD Conference Room, Marianna

Attendees: Mavis Smith
Lou Ogburn
Blake Little
Martha Coley
Lynne Daw (non-voting member)
Floyd Booth (facilitator)
Nilda Barreto (facilitator)

Absent: Jim Wells, Ronald Baxley, Randy Wilson, and Janet Graham

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:10am CST by Mavis Smith, Area 2 Steering Committee Chairperson.

Introductions:

None

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting on January 14, 2008 were approved with a motion by Lou Ogburn, seconded by Martha Coley. The motion passed. There was one suggestion that in the future use the word “facilitator” instead of “non voting member” for Nilda Barreto and Floyd Booth.

Old Business

The four training workshops held in January were reviewed and the evaluation report is attached to these minutes. The feedback was good with 96% of attendees agreeing or strongly agreeing with the content of the workshops.

Mavis Smith suggested all members read this report and get any comments back to Lynne Daw by Monday of next week. Lynne wishes to send out the report by the end of March.

Other Old Business

None.

New Business:

Randy Wilson has withdrawn from the committee. Ronald Baxley has also withdrawn because of his work hours.

We are in need of a consumer representative in light of these two resignations. Lou Ogburn recommended Peter Prater. Lynne Daw will contact his sister about this. Martha Coley will look for someone in the Quincy area. If we can get a consumer from each district, they would only have to attend the meetings in their district.

We are also in need of another Support Coordinator. Nilda Barreto will contact Jim Howard.

Other New Business

The committee discussed the next project. Training for consumers and providers was suggested. The training should include interviewing providers and what is expected of them. Blake Little offered to bring a copy of Care Connection APS. Nilda Barreto will bring a questionnaire for those who are to be hiring providers. Also discussed were the rights of the providers.

It was suggested that the times of the next training be spread out over a longer time period than two weeks. It is hoped that the Family Care Council can once again help with the costs.

Blake Little suggested a Resource Guide for clients who are not in school – perhaps a project for next year. Mavis Smith suggested coming up with a real attention getter to attract more people to our trainings. Nilda Barreto suggested bringing in family members to speak.

The next meeting will be April 24, 2008 in Tallahassee. It will be held at Cedars Executive Center, 2nd Floor, Building A from 10 until noon, DST.

Adjournment

Martha Coley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 am CST, seconded by Blake Little.

Approved by: _____

Date: _____