

**KANAWHA VALLEY COLLECTIVE
MEMBERSHIP
MINUTES
August 5, 2009**

Attendance: Amy Weintraub – Covenant House; Betty Anne Smith – Volunteer; Buz McCormick – RCCR; Darin Freeman – Metropolitan CDC; Deb Weinstein – YWCA; Debra Hart – MHA; Dennis Pease – Daymark; Evie Young – HUD; Frances Pack – Kanawha Co. Schools; Hope White – WVMHCA; Jean Simpson – Manna Meal; Jennifer Richmond – Salvation Army; Jennifer Rivera – Women’s Health Center; Julie Alston- RSLC; Lee Ann Bills – VA; Lee Horton – WVMHCA; Lori Dillow – VA; Mary Beth Carlisle – Mildred Mitchell Bateman; Mindy Young - MOECD; Patricia Scott - KISRA; Paul Gilmer - Volunteer; Ray Parsons – Highland; Teresa Pate – WVMHCA; Traci Strickland – RSLC;

KVC President Betty Anne Smith welcomed those in attendance.

Those in attendance introduced themselves

Mission statement read by Betty Anne Smith

Minutes Review – July minutes were accepted with no corrections

Agency Spotlight – U.S. Census Bureau – Richard Hartman and Julie Pratt

Contact information for Richard Harman – Richard.o.hartman@census.gov – 304-348-6730

The US Census Bureau is looking to partner with community organization. These partners promote importance of census participation. If we want WV to count – we need to count WV. Mr. Hartman distributed information and flyers. Copies of these are available upon request.

Committee Updates

Public Affairs Committee update

No update on utility rate hike court case. Committee on hiatus until fall, but will convene sooner if needed. Betty Anne and Dennis will be meeting with the GKVF to discuss funding for the Veltri Dinner.

Substance Abuse / Mental Health Committee update

Committee has taken indigent medication issue as far as possible at this time. Committee has identified a gap in services with kids ageing out of DHHR system. Anita Adkins, Kanawha County DHHR Community Service Manager, will be at August meeting. New yahoo group has been formed.

By Laws Committee update

New bylaws presented to membership in June at membership meeting, and to all membership via email in July. Paul Gilmer motioned for the approval of new bylaws as written, Buz McCormick seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with no discussion.

HPRP

City Council approved the KVC as the subgrantee. Program Intake and forms are being created. Working with MAACLink for information gathering. Information will be distributed to KVC and the community when funding begins.

Announcements:

- VA CHALENG meeting 9/1/09 at the VA Medical Center (Flyers distributed)
- Mental Health Association Continuing Education Series "Ethics of Counseling" 8/27/09 at Schoenbaum Center
- WVMHCA is celebrating the grand opening of their "Wellness and Recovery Center" at 713 Bigley Avenue. (Flyer distributed)
- YWCA Girls Night Out "Girls with Pearls" 8/13
- Metropolitan Community Development has completed the process of transitioning program offering transportation to dialysis patients. 9/1 should be the first day of MCDC providing this service
- Ingrid Briles is leaving the Salvation Army to move to Texas. Her last day is 8/20.
- September 2 - Public input sought on expenditure of \$48,000,000 in HUD grants for SCBG, HOME program, ESG. – For more information please contact Chuck Peterson at 304-558-2234 ext 2057 or cpeterson@wvdo.org

Membership meeting was adjourned

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Traci Strickland