

Power of We Consortium

Meeting Agenda for January 21, 2011

Present: Ken Sperber, Jon Coleman, Susan Pigg, John Roy Castillo, Chris Holman, Teresa Kmetz, Chuck Matthews, Katina Matthews, Jim Smiertka, Robin Miner-Swartz, Kate Tykocki, Jim Ramos, Lori Eva, John Bolan, Robert Miller, Renee Canady, John Duley, Karen Batterham, SuAlyn Holbrook, Serg Ruiz, Kate Mackie, Katie Ellero, Marcus McKissic, Jessica Yorke, Vincent Delgado, Olga Hernandez-Patino, Heather McAlvey, Alex Bryan, Micki Fuhrman, Harriett Dean, Angela Austin, Randy Bell, Marion Owen, Lance Werner, Sarah Swierenga, Nancy Oliver, Samang Po, Bob Sheehan, John Melcher, Joan Nelson, Benjamin Harning, Peggy Vaughn-Payne, Joan Nelson, Peggy Roberts, and recording secretary Linda Yencich

I. Welcome, Introductions and Announcements (10 minutes)

Co-Chair Jon Coleman opened the meeting and reminded members that this would be the last PWC meeting he will chair due to his retirement. At the Tri County Regional Planning Commission office, Jon will be replaced by Ms. Susan Pigg whom Jon introduced at today's meeting and shared her career history and her many years of public service experience here in Ingham County.

Introductions and announcements around the table:

C.M.H., Bob Sheehan announced two events and provided handouts regarding a 1/27/2011 (free workshop) open to the public on "Season Affective Disorder.", and also information about a 2/10/11 workshop (free, open to the public) on "Loving Your Caregiver," tips for caregiver-care.

Capital Area MI Works, Kate Tykocki shared hand outs on: "Vote for the river trail – Keep Learning", also see www.refresheverything.com/keeplearning.com/keeplearning

East Side Neighborhood Center, Joan Nelson encouraged all to check out the many upcoming events related to gardening at <http://allenneighborhoodcenter.org/>

ICHD Dep. Health Officer, Renee Canady announced a new position at the Health Department for Environmental Justice Coordinator, and she introduced Jessie Yorke who has been hired for that job.

Michigan Disability Coalition, Paul Miller announced a 2/21/11, "Including our Neighbors" grant program event: Vegas Conference; please see: <http://www.copower.org/mdrc/MDRC.htm>

Greater Lansing Food Bank, Alex Bryan announced a 2/17/11 food systems conference, "Growing Our Food System," <http://www.greaterlansingfoodbank.org/>

Capital Area District Library, Lance Werner shared a flyer for a Jan. 29th event called, "Show Me the Money Day," where various financial services, including free tax preparation, will be offered.

II. Learning About Our Community

Birth to Work – Launch of the Web Portal (60 Minutes)

Birth to Work (BTW) is a framework for systems network building and community transformation. It was developed by combining the resources of the Capital Area community, represented by the Power of We Consortium and its various coalitions and agency partners, to promote positive transitions from birth to adulthood for all children in the Capital Area, with special emphasis on those living in areas of concentrated poverty.

*The Birth to Work Portal **being launched today** will help connect community members from across community sectors to investment strategies and actions. Ghada Georgis (MSU), Randy Bell (MSU*

Extension), Angela Austin (Community Coalition for Youth), and Ken Sperber (Birth to Five Great Start Collaborative) will lead us in a demonstration and dialogue.

Angela Austin shared a power point presentation and Ghada Georgis spoke further about the new web site portal for Birth to Work: <http://www.capitalarea.ucp.msu.edu> . The website was developed over 2+ year period, with great collaboration, including the use of 3 or 4 proto-types and a user group from which feedback was collected. The outcome is intended to be an elaborate on-line networking forum. Organizations were encouraged to file their profiles on the website. Laptops were made available during the meeting for this purpose. Randy Bell added that this project started as an idea for a “web portal” two years ago and that the great expense for the project was covered by MSU’s Outreach and Engagement department. Additionally, Randy provided an update about a new opportunity for Birth to Work in that a proposal will be submitted to the Kellogg Foundation by 1/31/2011 seeking funding for services focusing on ages 0 to 8 years. Renee Canady congratulated the Birth to Work group for their success.

III. Action Items

A. Consortium membership and leadership for 2010 (10 minutes)

We will consider the recommendations of our Nominations Committee for community partners, community representatives, and two new co-chairs for 2011. Marion Owen of Tri County Office on Aging will present the recommendations on behalf of the Committee and request member support. (Attachment A)

Peggy Vaughn Payne provided an overview of this process that began in response to Jon Coleman’s early retirement and Peggy’s completion of her two year commitment. Both Peggy Vaughn Payne and Jon Coleman were presented a recognition and appreciation plaque at this meeting. The Nominations Committee recommended Angela Austin to replace Peggy Vaughn-Payne, for a two-year term from January 2011 through December 2012. Angela accepted the nomination.

Teresa Kmetz moved to approve; Joan Nelson and Renee Canady moved to support the motion; all in favor; motion passed.

The Nominations Committee also recommended Vincent Delgado to serve as Co-Chair for a one-year term from January 2011 through December 2011. Vincent accepted the nomination.

Bob Sheehan moved to approve; Olga Hernandez moved to support; all in favor; motion passed.

The nominations Committee recommended the following organizations receive an invitation to continue their membership with the Consortium:

Action of Greater Lansing	Catholic Diocese of Lansing
Advent House	Child Abuse Prevention Services
Allen Neighborhood Center	Christian Services
Asset Independence Coalition	City of East Lansing
Baker Donora Focus Center	Community Coalition for Youth
Birth to Five Great Start Collaborative	Community Economic Development Network
Black Child & Family Institute	Cristo Rey Community Center
Capital Area Center for Independent Living	Franklin Street Community Housing Corporation
Capital Area Child and Family Services	Greater Lansing African American Health Institute
Capital Area Community Services	Greater Lansing Food Bank
Capital Area District Library	Greater Lansing Healthy Ministry Consortium
Capital Area Youth Alliance	Greater Lansing Homeless Resolution Network
Capital Region Community Foundation	

Greater Lansing Housing Coalition
Habitat for Humanity
Immigrant and Refugee Resource
Collaborative
Impact
Infant Mortality Coalition
Ingham Health Plan Corporation
Ingham Regional Medical Center
Ingham Substance Abuse Prevention
Coalition
Land Use and Health Resource Team
Lansing Community College
Lansing Latino Health Alliance
Long Term Care Collaborative
Michigan State Housing Dev. Authority
(MSHDA)

MSU Community & Economic Development
National Council on Alcoholism – Lansing
Regional Area
Nokomis Learning Center
NorthWest Initiative
South Lansing Community Development
Association
South Side Community Coalition
Sparrow Health Systems
St. Vincent Catholic Charities
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission
Women’s Center of Greater Lansing
Xicano Development Center
YMCA

John Roy Castillo moved to approve; Nancy Oliver moved to support; all in favor; motion passed.

The Nominations Committee also offered membership as a Community Partner organization to the Prima Civitas Foundation during this meeting.

John Roy Castillo moved to approve the invitation; Kate Tycocki moved to support; all in favor; motion passed and Jim Smiertka accepted the invitation.

The Nominations Committee recommended that the Consortium invite the following representatives to continue their membership: Lonnie Johnson, Marcus McKissic, David Wiener, Laura Ray, Marvin Cato, and Lynne Martinez.

Teresa Kmetz moved to approve; John Roy Castillo moved to support; all in favor and the motion was passed.

The Nominations Committee recommended invitations be extended to the following people to become Community Representatives: Regina Allen, Alex Bryan, Lori Eva, Holly Madill, Katina Matthews, and Hazel Speckin.

John Roy Castillo moved to approve; Renee Canady and Joan Nelson moved to support; all in favor and the motion passed.

B. Power of We Consortium Report for 2009 & 2010

(3 minutes)

The Power of We Consortium office offers a summary of activities during 2009 & 2010 and requests member review and approval. (Attachment B)

Kate Tycocki moved to approve the Report of Power of We Consortium’s activities; Joan Nelson moved to support; all in favor and the motion was passed. Joan Nelson added commendation for the manner in which the Consortium meetings have been conducted. Renee Canady commended Peggy Roberts as a participating author of a two-book volume, which Hi Fitzgerald of MSU edited and published.

C. Power of We Consortium Work Plan for 2011 & 2012 (10 minutes)

In January, 2009, the Consortium voted to approve a 2-year Work Plan for 2009 & 2010. Over the past several months, Consortium members, coalitions, and committees were encouraged to submit language to update the Work Plan for 2011 & 2012. The final 2011 & 2012 Work Plan is being presented for review and approval of the membership. (Attachment C)

Renee Canady moved to approve, Olga Hernandez moved to support; all in favor and the motion passed to approve the 2011 & 2012 Power of We Consortium Work Plan. Peggy Vaughn-Payne commended the Consortium's work to facilitate this process.

IV. Update and Dialogue

What the MiPHY Data is telling us about our Ingham County Youth (30 minutes)

Violence, substance abuse, depression, suicide ideation, physical activity – MiPHY data allows us to learn about the needs, perceptions, attitudes and behaviors gathered from our 7th, 9th, and 11th grade Ingham County students. Micki Fuhrman and Harriett Dean, Prevention Specialists with the Ingham Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (ISAP), will share 2009-2010 MiPHY data and ISAP strategies for addressing presenting needs.

A power point presentation was shared by Micki Fuhrman and Harriett Dean. The presentation focused on the MiPHY surveys which are distributed throughout the schools in Michigan. As a result of the survey process data shows that the youth who do well in school tend to leave the community while the ones who do not do well tend to stay. MiPHY is offered every two years and PWC can support the survey efforts by encouraging school districts to participate. MiPHY takes about one class period for the students to complete. A suggestion was made to consider incentives towards participation to get the school board to require this.

***Next Meeting of the Power of We Consortium: February 18, 2011
Human Services Building
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