

Healthy Cabarrus
Advisory Board Meeting
April 16, 2009 – 1:00 p.m.
Cabarrus Health Alliance, Kannapolis

Members Present: Trish Baker, Vickie Carpenter, Jessica Castrodale, Gloria Conyers-Mutts, Ashley Dunham, Ed Hosack, Pam Hurley, Jim Monroe, Charles Phillips, Dianne Snyder, Cappie Stanley

Guest: Teresa Aldridge

Staff: Betty Braxton, Tracy Ginder

Welcome

Dianne Snyder welcomed members and guests. The February 18, 2009 meeting minutes were approved as written. There were no additions to the agenda.

New Business

- *Healthy Cabarrus Administrative Update*
Betty Braxton updated members of the status of the hire date for a New Executive Director. The Cabarrus Health Alliance Board stated that due to a continuing strain on the budget during these hard times the hire date for a new Executive Director has been pushed out until January of 2010. Betty noted that this should now slow down the momentum of Healthy Cabarrus and that it will be business as usual. Betty noted that 3% of funding was taken back from Cabarrus Health Alliance from the County. Mr. Phillips commented that hiring a new Executive Director for Healthy Cabarrus was a priority and that the Health Alliance Board has a strong backing for Healthy Cabarrus.

- *Healthy Carolinians Recertification*
Per Betty, the Healthy Carolinians Recertification for Healthy Cabarrus is on schedule. She noted that there were a few housekeeping items for the application that were needed from members. Membership forms were needed from each member to document their current mailing address, ethnic background and task forces they were members of. Members were also asked to submit a letter of support for Healthy Cabarrus to include in the application. Guidelines were in meeting packets. Letters will be due to Tracy Ginder May 15th.

Action Plan

Prior to the Advisory Board meeting, members were asked to rank the priorities from the Community Needs Assessment as well as the Task Forces that are already in place. Ranking from the Advisory Board members are as follows:

1. Healthy Living
2. Mental Health
3. Access to Healthcare
4. Childhood Obesity Prevention Partnership
5. Access to Healthcare Task Force
6. Dental Task Force
7. Teen Task Force

After ranking the priorities, Advisory Board members agreed that the Childhood Obesity Prevention Partnership and Teen Task Force would work on the Healthy Living priority, the Access to Healthcare Task Force would work on the Mental Health priority and the Dental Task Force would work on the Access to Healthcare priority as it pertains to dental health.

Reports/Updates

The Healthy Cabarrus Task Force groups are working as expected. Betty noted that an email was sent out to Advisory Board members listing the various meetings and activities coming up in the near future and invited members to join any of them.

Announcements

A Cabarrus County rabies clinic flyer was included in the meeting packet.

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