

**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
PROGRAM COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 13, 2014**

Attendance:

Members

Director William Grimm, DO, Chairman
Director Kay Hazen

Staff

Kathy Greco, Chief Executive Officer
Donna Craig, Chief Grants Officer
Steve Brown, Director of Community Relations

Committee Members

Kim McNulty, CVEP
Bev Greer, CEO, Stroke Recovery Center
Allen Howe, Community Member
Juan Rodriquez, Student Member

Absent Committee Members

Matthew Keane, CEO, Community Clinic Assoc. of San Bernardino County
Mitch Nieman, Grants Manager, City of Coachella
Joseph Pradetto, Constituent Outreach, Office of John J Benoit, 4th District Supervisor

Guest

Lori Sherfling – Act for MS
Anne Pope – Act for MS
Maureen Forman – Jewish Family Services of the Desert

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Grimm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion was made by Committee Member Rodriquez and seconded by Chairman Grimm to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Committee Member Rodriquez and seconded by Chairman Grimm to approve the minutes of April 15, 2014. Motion passed. Committee Member Howe abstained since he was not present at the meeting.

GRANTS

a. Outstanding Grants & Grant Payment Schedule

No comments.

b. Proposals Under Development – Remaining Budget Impact

No comments.

C. Final Reports

1. Grant #756 – Angel View

No comments.

2. Grant #758 – Stroke Recovery Center

No comments.

d. Pending Grant Request for Consideration

1. Grant #822 – Jewish Family Service of the Desert (JFS) – Mental Health Counseling for Low-Income CV Residents - \$95,000.

This program is currently serving 1,700 fifth grade students in 14 elementary schools in Palm Springs Unified School District (PSUSD) with the support of Desert Healthcare District with 43% served who are under the age of 18 years old. Referrals for services are made by the parents, teachers, and principals. Dr J.M. Evosevich, Mental Health Program Manager for PSUSD sees the more serious cases. Committee Member Greer refers many of her clients to JFS. JFS will have a summer intern to assist in setting up data collection.

A Motion was made by Committee Member Howe and seconded by Committee Member McNulty to recommend approval for Grant # 822 to Jewish Family Service of the Desert for the Mental Health Counseling for Low-Income CV Residents in the amount of \$95,000.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Grant #823 – Act for MS – Enhanced Strength Training Flexibility & Circulation Improvement Program - \$160,930.

Committee Member Greer recused herself due to a potential conflict of interest with Act for MS.

This grant will be providing water aerobics, provide exercise trainers at the gym or in client's homes and increase massage especially for clients in wheelchairs. Although there is a high cost per client, the program improves the quality of life for MS patients who will never recover from the disease. Act for MS will be collaborating with the Stroke Recovery Center for services.

A Motion was made by Committee Member McNulty and seconded by Committee Member Howe to recommend approval for Grant # 823 to Act for MS in support for the Enhanced Strength Training Flexibility & Circulation Improvement Program in the amount of \$160,930.

Motion passed unanimously.

CEO REPORT

Ms. Greco reviewed the ACA enrollment numbers on a handout provided at the meeting (copy attached to minutes)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS

Chairman Grimm thanked student committee member Juan Rodriquez for his service and contribution to the Program Committee. He has graduated high school and will be attending the University of California Berkley as a sophomore. Juan's goal is to receive a Master's Degree in Public Health.

STAFF COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.