

**ALLEGHENY COUNTY COALITION FOR RECOVERY**  
**Steering Committee:**  
**Minutes**  
**September 26, 2014**

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**Co-Chair(s):** Dennis Hughes

**Note taker:** LaTacia Brentley

**Attendees:** Meg Parks; Tina Zimmerman; Sarah Goldstien; Barbara Witherspoon; Anthony Lucas; Mike Gruber; Charlene Saner; Bill Boyce; Denise Weis; Maureen McCullum; Mike Gruber; Wes Sowers

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**Minutes reviewed and approved:**

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**Agenda Item:** Vote

**Committee Goal Being Addressed:** Vote Wes Sowers for SC Provider Co-Chair

**Discussion:** We do have a quorum available for this vote

9- Yes            0- no

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**Agenda Item:** ACHI Conference

**Committee Goal Being Addressed:** Discussion

**Discussion:** Conference for Peers and for People in Recovery. Conference is 11-14-14 @ Westin William Penn 8:30-2:45 with an Ice Cream Social at 3 pm. As part of the Conference there will be two tables:

1. Higher Education
2. Job Fair/ Job Network

Also, an ACCR table will be in place just to get the voice and the word out as to who ACCR are and what they do.

QI and Child & Family want to distribute toolkits at these events. Maybe we can fill the volunteer tables' positions.

Also, ACCR has recruitment forms for to recruit new members.

This particular planning of the conference was stellar.

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**Agenda Item:** Committee Budgets

**Committee Goal Being Addressed:** Discussion

**Discussion:** Committees are asked to get the budgets in by next meeting, just so that we can submit to PSAN in a timely manner what our overall budget will be. This is so that PSAN can begin to send us back the reports. We just need to know what each line item will be for the year.

CPC would like to have a copy of their budget so they can add in a second Peer Advisor.

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**Agenda Item:** Committee Highlight reports/updates

**Committee Goal Being Addressed:** Updates

**Discussion:** Discussion

**Education Committee:** Second Recovery Summit is this coming Monday 9-29-14. We are working with service providers to help tackle similar challenges and barriers they are facing in Recovery oriented services.

**Child & Family:** Been involved in three projects trying to to develop a brochure about who the ACCR's Child & Family is and what they do. They are trying to figure how and where to figure how and where to distribute the tool-kits made from the "Train the Trainer". They are also trying to redo coloring books and the table cloth still isn't ready.

**Quality Improvement:** Status of Tool-kits with Meg's community workshops. Tool-Kits will be distributed at the ACHI Conference. Finalizing questions 8-16 for a Recovery oriented survey for CART to go out into the Community.

**Collaborative:** Planning three dialogues. We have a date picked out for the Residence dialogue to be held this fall. January is the LGB dialogue and we are scheduling a dialogue with Police Officers.

Public Awareness states that they were not permitted to do a project of the same magnitude and are just wondering what is the difference between them and CPC? CPC stated that they spoke to the county first regarding this type of project. They stated that they spoke to Melissa Medise to get approval.

If Law Enforcement or CIT turns CPC, Public Awareness would like to know why that is? Why Law enforcement does not want to work with them.

**Public Awareness:** Due to our lack in attendance, our numbers has dropped consistently. They have asked Sally Jo Snyder to come in and help them to get their skills in line. No project scheduled as of yet. We are just working to get our group back together.

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**Agenda Item:** Steering Committee Orientation

**Committee Goal Being Addressed:** Discussion

**Discussion:** Upon doing the SC orientation, the following issues were noted and are being asked to be changed.

-Committee votes to make a quorum 6 + .5, amendments to go out for next meeting.

-To get a topic on the agenda for a SC meeting. The SC Planning Committee would meet the second Thursday to plan for that month's meeting. So, technically, agenda items should be in by then. Emergencies can be handled separately.

-Are there issues that should not be brought to the SC and if not, then who?

Such as conflicts – they can be addressed before the meeting with Dennis, Mike, Bill or Wes.

Maybe address the issue with the SC Planning Committee to decide where to go from there.

When you hear a grievance you should ask what that person wants to see as a resolution.

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**Dennis wants to THANK Charlene, Denis, Sarah and Angela for a wonderful event!!!**

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**Next Meeting:**

**TBD  
Life works  
1325 Forbes Ave  
12:30-2:30**