

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COALITION FOR RECOVERY
Steering Committee:
Minutes

Date: March 26, 2009

Co-Chair(s): Craig Dorin Verna Johnson

Note taker: Bernice Hayes

Attendees:

Sharon Alberts	Bernice Hayes	Chelsea Quattrone
Mary Jo Dickson	Dennis Hughes	Sherry Shaffer
Craig Dorin	Verna Johnson	Albert Torcaso
Chari Frederick	I	Danette Vehman
Sarah Goldstein	Melissa Medice	Frank Ventrosco
Mike Gruber	Annette Mendel	Chris Weis
	Meg Park	Denise Weis

The meeting was opened by Co-Chair Verna Johnson. Introductions of attendees were made. Minutes from February 27, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Agenda Item: Role of the Steering Committee

Committee Goal Being Addressed: Identify the roles, relationship of the committee and identity of the Steering Committee.

Discussion: Verna stated that the committees should be working together for a common purpose. The discussion is needed because the Steering Committee has one role and the other committees have their roles that unites with the Steering Committee. One person would like to see that the committees are not separated but have more of a flow between the committees take the information for a project and work together toward the vision. The Bylaws were distributed and it was stated they may be opened to interpretation by some people, as to if the SC is really guiding the other committees. Verna did a demonstration of two committees and a steering committee that are at first being separate, reporting to the SC but each doing their own thing. Then the people representing the separate committees and Verna representing the SC linked arms with Verna in the middle. Verna stated are we truly really connected? Our mission connects us but are we united to each other. We are broken down into sub groups but we are a whole group (Verna). Dennis suggested all the committees should share information about what they are doing. It was stated that in the Bylaws the goals should be set by the Steering Committee which is made up of members of each of the six committees and understanding this is what causes some friction. It was stated the ACCR group must answer to someone and the SC is responsible to all of you.

Do to the lateness of the hour the discussion of the role of the Steering Committee will be continued next meeting.

Action Item	Person Responsible	Target Date
Continue discussion and decide on role of the Steering Committee	All SC members	4/24/09

Next Meeting Date, Location, and Time

**Next ACCR Steering Committee Meeting
Friday April 24, 2009
Life's Work 1325 Forbes Avenue**