

FLORIDA ALLIANCE FOR DIABETES PREVENTION AND CARE
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING
05/13/09 ~ TAMPA, FL
DRAFT

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Babu Balagopal, Member
Phyllis Bruno, Chair
Rosa Carranza, Chair-Elect
Nicole Johnson, Communications Chair
Kathy Mulcahy
Trina Thompson, Ex-Officio Member
Joanne Vaccaro-Kish

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lory Gonzalez
Katherine Heller, Member (excused)
Mike Hill, Communications Co-Chair (excused)
Rita Diaz-Kenney (excused)
Barbara Jacobowitz, DAC Liaison (excused)
Rachel La Croix (excused)
Pauline Lowe (excused)
Ferdie Richards

GUESTS:

Andrea Benda, Diabetes Advisory Council
(DAC) Member
Michele Bonneville, Alliance Member
Rita Crews, Alliance Member
Wanda Diaz, Novo Nordisk
Chet Evans, DAC Chair-Elect
Vivian Fernandez, Novo Nordisk
Michael Gervasi, Alliance Member
Ed Shahady, Alliance Member

STAFF:

Sarah Cawthon
M.R. Street

1. Ms. Bruno called the meeting to order at 12:37 PM.

2. The minutes from the January 13 Leadership Council meeting were reviewed. Ms. Mulcahy moved to accept the minutes; Ms. Carranza seconded. **The minutes were approved without objection.**

3. Purpose of meeting. Ms. Bruno asked members of the Leadership Council to review the draft purpose of the meeting shown at the top of the agenda: To update members on activities of committees and progress toward achievement of the statewide goals. Ms. Bruno also asked committee chairs to develop a purpose statement for their committees.

4. Nominations Committee. Ms. Thompson reported that Dr. Gervasi has been elected and Ms. Lowe has been re-elected to the Leadership Council for three-year terms beginning July 1, 2009. Congratulations to these members. Thank you to all the candidates. The DPCP will be appointing two members for three-year terms beginning July 1, 2009 and one member to serve out the term of Dr. Rachel La Croix, who resigned. We wish Dr. La Croix the best and thank her for her service to the Leadership Council, including the elected position of Secretary. The Nominations Committee will survey members and develop a slate of candidates for the following positions: Chair-Elect, Secretary, and Standing Committee Chairs.

4. Standing committee reports:

A. Communications Committee: Ms. Johnson gave an update on the newsletter, the Alliance Action Update. The first issue will be coming out soon. It will be sent to the Alliance email list and posted on the Department of Health website. Ms. Street presented the draft Take Action Toolkit for Community Mobilization. This document will be distributed via the Alliance email list and posted on the DOH website as well.

- B. Community Partnerships Committee:** Ms. Mulcahy has taken over the Chair position and Ms. Vaccaro-Kish will assist as Co-Chair. Ms. Mulcahy reported that the Health Care and Professional Development Committee of the DAC wants to partner with the Alliance on pre-diabetes education.
- C. Education Committee:** Ms. Street reported on plans for the 2009 Educational Forum. The 2009 Educational Forum will be held August 28 at the World Golf Village Resort, which is south of Jacksonville in St. Augustine. It will piggy-back with the CDC's Community Health Worker Road to Health Training (1/2 day) and the Leadership Council meeting (1/2 day), both of which will be held on August 27. There will be a small registration fee which is still being negotiated. The Forum will again feature skill-building workshops, which will be offered twice as recommended in the 2008 Educational Forum evaluations. A save-the-date card will be coming soon. A web-based registration site is being developed and we will let everyone know when it is up and running.
- D. Data Committee:** Ms. Bruno proposed to make the Data Committee inactive. The other committees may contact the DPCP with their data needs. DPCP will respond on a priority basis. The question was brought to a vote and passed without objection.
- E. DAC Liaison Report:** Ms. Jacobowitz is absent due to illness.
- 5. Mini-grant Awards – Ms. Bruno.** Duval and Putnam county health departments were the successful applicants for Diabetes Self-Management Education Program Recognition mentoring awards. Ms. Mulcahy (Putnam) and Ms. Bruno (Duval) are the mentors. We are hoping these two programs will be able to present their success stories at the 2010 Educational Forum. Ms. Mulcahy noted that she is pleased that both programs serve underserved areas.
- 6. Regional Mobilization.** Ms. Cawthon discussed taking the Alliance to the next step by creating regional networks. The group discussed either having Leadership Council members become regional champions, or seeking champions from the general Alliance membership. Ms. Bruno felt that champions should be recruited from the general membership first to promote ownership. The Community Partnerships Committee will draft a letter for Ms. Street to distribute to Alliance members via email. Ms. Cawthon said the DPCP would look at doing a train-the-trainer session for regional leaders on the Diabetes Today curriculum.
- 7. Public Comments.**
- Dr. Gervasi commented that, when you see a child every day, you don't realize how much they've grown. Being away for two years, it's remarkable to see how much the Alliance has grown.
 - Ms. Fernandez said that she and her colleagues from Novo Nordisk came today to see where they fit in. She is a nutritionist and a certified diabetes educator (CDE).
- 8. Adjournment.** Ms. Mulcahy moved to adjourn. Ms. Johnson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.