

The Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Minutes of the Meeting of The Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Held Thursday, February 20th, 2014

On the 20th day of February, 2014, at 1:00pm, at the Pioneer Campus of Penn Valley Community College, 2700 East 18th Street, Jonas Board Room, Suite 211, Kansas City, Missouri, was held the meeting of **The Community Advisory Committee** (“CAC”) a Missouri not-for-profit corporation.

Attendance:

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Members Present:

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| Jill Kanatzar, Chair | Vickie Massey, M.D. |
| Thomas Alber | Mary Jo Moore |
| Mary Ann Arnott | Josephine Njoroge |
| Dee Ann Bowles | Mother Nicloe Oakes |
| David Clark | Dan Shea |
| Mike Enos | Diane Seif |
| Ramona Farris (Telephone) | Shani Tate, Vice Chair (Telephone) |
| Leslie Fields, M.D. | Terry Thompson |
| Melissa Harmon | Kelvin Walls, M.D. |
| Harry S. Jonas, M.D. | Mary K. Zimmerman, Ph.D |

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Members Not Present:

Marcia Milner

Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City (HCF) Board Members and Associates Present: Bridget McCandless, HCF President/CEO; Rhonda Holman, HCF Vice-President/COO; Andres Dominguez, Program Officer; Trese Booze, Receptionist; Karen Waller, Administrative Assistant

Others Present: None

Chair Jill Kanatzar called the meeting to order at 1:10 and welcomed everyone.

She asked for a motion to approve the November 14th meeting minutes if no revisions were required. Josephine Njoroge made the motion, Terry Thompson seconded, and the November minutes were approved via unanimous voice vote.

Chair Kanatzar noted that four new CAC members were in attendance today: David (Mike) Enos, appointed by the Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri; Daniel Shea, appointed by the Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri; Kelvin L. Walls, M.D., appointed by the Jackson County Executive; and Mary Jo Moore, appointed by the Mayor of Independence, Missouri. She asked each one to give a brief snapshot about himself or herself for other CAC members.

Chair Kanatzar welcomed the new members and expressed that she hoped they find the experience of serving on the CAC rewarding. She noted that there are three remaining open slots on the CAC: one for Kansas City, Missouri; one for Independence, Missouri; and one for Wyandotte County/KCK.

Chair Kanatzar asked other CAC members to introduce themselves and speak briefly about themselves to the new CAC members.

Chair Kanatzar asked CAC Committee Chairs for reports.

Nominating Committee – Chair Kanatzar noted that Brian Johnson, former chair of the Nominating Committee, had fulfilled his terms on the CAC so she would report the business of the Nominating Committee. She explained that the HCF Board of Directors held its election for 2014 on February 19 and the CAC is required to ratify the slate before it is official. She noted that a list of the newly elected Board was provided in the meeting packet and asked for a motion to approve the slate if there was no discussion. Dr. Leslie Fields made the motion, Dee Ann Bowles seconded, and the election results were ratified via unanimous voice vote.

Rhonda Holman stated that Karen Cox, HCF Board Chair, wished to thank the Nominating Committee for their excellent work in providing the HCF Board with an outstanding slate of nominees. Chair Kanatzar also thanked Nominating Committee members and noted that she attended yesterday's HCF Board meeting and was amazed at the quality of the Board nominees.

Review Committee – Dr. Fields stated there was no Review report at this time.

Community Input Committee – Dr. Vickie Massey said the Input Committee had no report.

Chair Kanatzar asked CAC members to select the committee they wished to serve on and provide the form to HCF staff at the end of today's meeting.

Presentation – Chair Kanatzar introduced HCF Program Officer, Andres Dominguez.

Andres noted his presentation was about social determinants of health and stressed the following points:

- Social circumstances affect health outcomes
- Social determinants are often the root causes of health disparities
- Social determinants frame the debate on aspects of health in our community
- Social determinants cannot be overlooked in the promotion of sustainable solutions

He told the CAC that some of the barriers to health are: hunger; unemployment; transportation; geography; education; race/class; crime; and poverty. He stated the Foundation's Healthy Lifestyles RFP (request for proposal) addresses:

- Changing community environments
- Limited or no access to affordable nutritious foods
- Safe physical environments
- Equity-focused environmental and policy change.

He also discussed the effect of the above listed social determinants on the mental health of those persons living with some or all of the conditions or situations. He addressed the approach that safety net providers and experts are using to try to eliminate some of the barriers to good health that impoverished people experience. He spoke particularly about violence and violence prevention, noting that the Foundation has funded the organization, Aim for Peace, which uses highly trained violence interrupters and outreach staff, public education campaigns, neighborhood action teams and community mobilization to address the issue of violence in communities. He shared statistics about the area of Kansas City, Missouri with the highest incidences of violent crime.

Andres also provided a brief video and noted that unless the area where one lives is affected by crime and violence, one often feels disconnected from it. He explained that we are all affected and that homicides cost \$17 million per year in various ways such as the loss of a bread-winner etc. He informed the CAC that Dr. Adewale Troutman, an expert in public health, will be speaking in Columbia, Missouri on April 25th and HCF can provide additional information if any members are interested in attending. He and CAC members discussed issues covered in his presentation.

Chair Kanatzar and CAC members thanked Andres for his presentation.

Old Business – None

New Business – Chair Kanatzar noted that chairs need to be appointed for the Input, Review, and Nominating committees. Dee Ann Bowles was selected to chair the Input Committee; Dr. Leslie Fields was selected to chair the Review Committee; and Terry Thompson was selected to chair the Nominating Committee.

Dr. Leslie Fields nominated Jill Kanatzar to serve another term as CAC Chair. Jill Kanatzar nominated Shani Tate to serve another term as CAC vice-chair. No additional nominations were made and Jill and Shani will each serve another term in their respective capacities.

Chair Kanatzar asked that everyone complete their 2014 conflict-of-interest attestation and provide it to HCF staff at the end of today's meeting.

Chair Kanatzar noted that the annual CAC fund raising letters will be mailed soon and she asked everyone to contribute whatever amount with which they are comfortable. She noted the maximum allowable contribution is \$200.00.

Other: Chair Kanatzar asked Dr. Bridget McCandless, HCF CEO, to introduce herself to new CAC members. Dr. McCandless noted that she has served as HCF CEO since September 2013 and that she had previously served on HCF's Board of Directors. She shared that she still practices medicine on a limited basis and that she has a passion for the underserved and uninsured. She explained that she was in Jefferson City today discussing Medicaid Expansion. She welcomed the new CAC members.

There being no further business, Chair Kanatzar adjourned the meeting at 2:27.

The next CAC meeting will be held March 13th at 1:00 p.m.