

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF SARASOTA COUNTY

EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY WORK GROUP

February 23, 2004

Members Present: Karen Bogues
Rose Chapman
Diana French
Stanley Godleski
Beverly Stockton

Staff Present: Becky Oliver
Pauline Tracy

Website Update

Becky Oliver provided a review of the recent updates to the website. The group commented that the site is very easy to navigate and has the information they had requested be added. Three months worth of meeting summaries and agendas will be kept on the site and Becky will develop an archive section in case someone would like to access older summaries.

Key Issue Survey

The results of the Key Issues Survey were discussed. Overall, it was noted that homelessness and affordable housing received the most mention of key issues in our community. Discussion ensued regarding what to do with the information at this point. It was decided that the group would review the information and make recommendations at the next meeting on steps to be taken.

Next Meeting:

Meeting immediately prior to the Steering Committee meeting makes it difficult to brief the Executive Committee prior to the Steering Committee report unless the report can wait until the following month. It has also made it difficult for staff to support several meetings which take place on the same date and one other at the same time.

Pauline will contact Bob Carter to obtain several standing meeting times and dates that are open on his calendar. Pauline will poll the work group members to determine the best time.

The next meeting of the Education and Advocacy Work Group will be announced at a later time..