

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF SARASOTA COUNTY

Legislative Advocacy Committee

October 10, 2005

Meeting Summary

Members Present: Elliott Metcalfe, Chair
Bill Broughton
Dr. Kay Glasser
Marsha Hosack
Bill Little
Lester Rice
Kathryn Shea
Alex Young
Dorothy Zech

Staff Present: Rik Jimison
Chip Taylor
Pauline Tracy

The following six legislative proposals were submitted by Steering Committee members as proposed legislative priorities for 2006:

- Medicaid Reform Initiatives
- Support State Funding of a Complete, Community-Based Array of Comprehensive and Quality Services for Senior Recipients
- Foster Family Care Rate Increase
- Support SB 0156 for Statewide Expansion of 2-1-1
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
- Equity Hold Harmless for the Community Based Care Organizations

Each proposal was reviewed and discussed in detail by the Legislative Committee.

The following motions were made:

1. ***Bill Little moved, seconded by Bill Broughton, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by the Seniors Advisory Council, entitled Support State Funding of a Complete, Community-Based Array of Comprehensive and Quality Services for Senior Recipients, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***
2. ***Bill Broughton moved, seconded by Kay Glasser, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by The Florida Center for Child and Family Development, entitled Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***
3. ***Bill Little moved, seconded by Kay Glasser, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by The Florida Center for Child and Family Development and First Step of Sarasota, entitled Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***
4. ***Bill Broughton moved, seconded by Kathryn Shea, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by the Sarasota YMCA/Safe Children Coalition, entitled Equity Hold Harmless for the Community Based Care Organizations, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***
5. ***Bill Broughton moved, seconded by Kathryn Shea, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by the Sarasota YMCA/Safe Children Coalition, entitled Foster Family Care Rate Increase, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***
6. ***Bill Broughton moved, seconded by Kathryn Shea, motion passed unanimously, to recommend the proposal submitted by Coastal Behavioral Healthcare and Sarasota County Health and Human Services, entitled Medicaid Reform Initiatives, be approved by the Steering Committee as one of the 2006 legislative priorities of the Community Alliance.***

Dorothy Zech and Bill Broughton will present the County's legislative priorities to the Board of County Commissioners on October 26 for their approval. The Community Alliance priorities will also be submitted to the BCC at the same time.

The Sarasota legislative delegation will conduct a public hearing on November 3. Once the Steering Committee approves the 2006 legislative priorities for the Community Alliance, staff will reserve a time on the public hearing agenda for Elliott Metcalfe and Stewart Stearns to speak.