

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF SARASOTA COUNTY

“Partnering Assets Together for Human Services”

Sarasota School Board Chambers, 1980 Landings Blvd

June 21, 2010

Meeting Summary

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ken Alexander	Sarasota Memorial Hospital
Monica Becket	City of North Port
Karen Bogues	Community Youth Development
P.J. Brooks	Juvenile Justice Council (and for Dave Beesley, First Step of Sarasota)
Rose Chapman	Jewish Federation of Sarasota and Manatee Counties
James Duplantier	Friendship Volunteer Center
Carolyn Eagen	Mental Health Community Centers
Sarah Hickey	Vocational Interagency Council
Amy Hunt	Young Professionals Group
Janet Kahn	Early Learning Coalition of Sarasota County
Phillip King	Glasser Schoenbaum Human Services Center
Bill Little	Sarasota County Health Department
Laura McIntyre	Family Safety Alliance
Erin McLeod	Seniors Advisory Council
Charles Mead	Twelfth Judicial Circuit (for Alana Monge)
Capt. Richard Montemagno	Sarasota County Sheriff's Office
Kelly Morrell	Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice
Sarah Pappas	Selby Foundation
Kameron Partridge	Easter Seals of Southwest Florida
Tom Pfaff	Sarasota United for Responsibility and Equity (SURE)
Steve Queior	Sarasota Chamber of Commerce
Sherri Reynolds	School Health Advisory Council
Kathryn Shea	Florida Center for Child and Family Development
Brena Slater	Department of Children and Families – SunCoast Region
Stewart Stearns	Community Foundation of Sarasota County
Jessica Ventimiglia	Manasota 2-1-1
Benny Weaver	Loveland Center
Judy Wilcox	Habitat for Humanity South Sarasota County, Inc.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Humberto Alvia	St. Jude's Hispanic Center
Judi Bell	Nonprofit Resource Center
Ginny Donovan	Department of Juvenile Justice
Larry Eger	Public Defender - Twelfth Judicial Circuit
Keliy Fordham	STAR Representative
Kathleen Houseweart	Senior Friendship Centers
Mary Koctur	Catholic Charities
Curtis Lavarello	Sarasota Coalition on Substance Abuse (SCOSA)

Chief Terry Lewis	City of North Port Police Department
Leslie Loveless	SunCoast Workforce Board
Dale Lux	National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
Richard Martin	Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness
Janice Mee	SCOPE
Bryan Pope	The Salvation Army
John Reed	City of Venice
Bill Russell	Sarasota Housing Authority
Capt. Paul Sutton	City of Sarasota Police Department
Jerry Thompson	Coastal Behavioral Healthcare
Karen Wilkinson	CHIP
Alex Young	United Way of Sarasota County
Caroline Zucker	School Board of Sarasota County

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sarah Cloud	Sarasota Partnership for Children's Mental Health
Ben Kunkel	Manasota 2-1-1
Kevin McKenney	Sarasota Family YMCA
Doug Ross	Collaboration Solutions

STAFF PRESENT:

Nancy DeLoach	Sarasota County Health and Human Services
Kathleen Marie Hall	Sarasota County Health and Human Services
Chip Taylor	Sarasota County Health and Human Services

Welcome and Introductions

The Community Alliance of Sarasota County met on June 21, 2010 at the Sarasota County School Board chambers, 1980 Landings Blvd., at 1:30 p.m.

FRAN

Nancy DeLoach reported that FRAN will hold another event on July 1 at Selby Library as an education/panel Q&A session. Nancy asked the members if they would like for the Community Alliance to co-sponsor the event. Members agreed to co-sponsor the session.

Legislative Advocacy Committee

Chip Taylor announced that the Legislative Advocacy Committee meeting following the Steering Committee meeting has been canceled.

Marketing Workshop

Steve Queior introduced facilitator Doug Ross of Collaboration Solutions Consulting. Doug presented the agenda and focus for the workshop. The following were assigned as "Café Owners" for the event: Karen Bagues, Rose Chapman, Janet Kahn, Laura McIntyre, Kameron Partridge, Sherri Reynolds, Brena Slater, and Stewart Stearns. Doug asked the members to respond to three questions in three different locations within the room:

1. The year is 2015. Sarasota magazine has The Community Alliance on the cover with the large bold word "Success!" spread across the images. What would the article say about what the success was and what it means for Sarasota in the future?
2. From your personal perspective and that of the agency you are representing, what is the purpose the Community Alliance serves? How can this be promoted?
3. What are some opportunities the Community Alliance has for a better Sarasota? What can we become? Think big!

Doug collected the information on the flip charts from each "Café Owner" and stated that he would summarize the ideas, forward a report to staff, and attend the next meeting for a follow-up session. Doug also requested that each "Café Owner" email a complete summary on all the responses given during the session within their group. Some of the comments given on the above questions:

Article:

- Working together on collaborative community issues
- The experts on Health and Human Services
- Community Connector
- The only all-inclusive place from which to speak to the community and advocate
- Working on specific solutions to community problems

Purpose:

- Advocate and initiate action
- Communication leads to creative ways to do business
- Bring diverse interests beyond traditional boundaries together
- Increase awareness by doing action projects

Big Ideas:

- Make Sarasota the Number 1 place to live
- Action model for creating "healthy community"
- Think big: Ask hard questions

The next Community Alliance Steering Committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 19 at 1:30 pm at the Sarasota School Board Chambers, 1980 Landings Blvd.