

**Committee Name: Planery Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date: October 10, 2007**

**Time: 9:30 am**

**Attendees:** Tony Bonetti, Kim Gibbs, Paul Mendes, Martha Melvin, Janice Kelly, Margaret Peabody, Paul Vamini, Patricia Ginyard, Peter Vamini, Eddie Cajeges, Victoria Furey, Yolanda Hopkins, Carolee Paruta, David Byron, Anne Carr, Cecilia Baldwin, Helen Lavin, Rose Christy, Cheryl Bell

**I. Review of Year 2 Implementation Progress Report**

**Results/Next Steps:**

Planery Committee reviewed year 2 implementation Progress Report. Tony informed the group of some the of the Steering Committee concerns with the document (PIT Count results & Housing Chart) these are areas that we will pay more attention to in the future.

**II. Review of Strategic Priorities for 07-08**

**Results/Next Steps:**

Strategic Priorities for 07-08 year three implementation were reviewed. Tony pointed out that there is a lot of work to achieve and this cannot be done with out the help of the GBACoC as a whole. Kim reached out to Planery to designate staff members to and other members who were not at the table to increase overall participation and support.

**III. GBACoC Meeting Calendar**

**Results/Next Steps:**

GBACoC Meeting Calendar for the 07-08 year was distributed and reviewed.

**IV. Project Homeless Connect**

**Result/Next Steps:**

Anne Carr & Kim Gibbs briefed the group on progress thus far. The event will be hosted on Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007. It will be held at 2 venues this year, The United Congregational Church and Harrison Apartment's Community Room in hope of managing the amount of consumers that it is anticipated will participate on this year. Last year over 600 consumers were served.

**V. Point-In-Time Count**

**Results/Next Steps:**

Cheryl Bell reported that she would be attending a state wide providers training about the upcoming PIT Count to be conducted in January 2008. She requested that Executive Directors and Program Managers identify staff that will assisting with the event and stressed the importance of GBACoC agency participation as a whole. Every

agency should be represented. Last year there was a great turn out of about 100 volunteers. Cheryl hopes to reach out to the Bridgeport Police Chief in hopes of receiving support. The goal is to have cuneiform police escort staff in high risk areas.

## **VI. Other: Guests Paul & Peter Vimini**

### **Results/Next Steps:**

Margaret Peabody invited guests to the meeting Paul and Peter Vimini local developers whom she has worked with on the Seaview Apartment's Project. The developers were interested in learning more about Supportive Housing and get a better understanding of how they may be able to collaborate with future programs. Vimini discussed the pros and cons of working on such programs and providers expressed some of their concerns as well. Both providers and Vamini Developers felt the discussion was informative.

## **VII. Announcements:**

- David Byron announced that he has three units available in the Conger House Supportive Housing Program. Any one who would like to make a referral please contact him.
- Janice Kelly will be hosting a 15 year anniversary celebration at Testo's Restaurant on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- Vicki Furey announced that Bridge House will be hosting their annual employee luncheon at Testo's Restaurant on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.