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Steering Committee Meeting May 16, 2018

Those in attendance were: Robert Niezgoda, Bert Malone, Dalen Duitsman, Dennis Diehl, Diane Weber, Susan Thomas, Linda Cooperstock, Janet Canavese, Casey Parnell, Jaci McReynolds and Sandra Boeckman.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Bert Malone and seconded by Robert Niezgoda to approve the minutes of May 9, 2018 as submitted. On a vote, this motion was approved.

PROJECT MANAGER:

Casey reported that both expenditures (motions from last meeting) were approved by the Foundation – Casey’s attendance at the MINK meeting in Iowa and paying the expenses of the Washington representatives to attend the June 14 Advisory Council meeting.

Advisory Council meeting feedback – Steering Committee members voiced their reaction to the Council meeting mentioning these concerns: seniors were mentioned specifically as being left out of the initiative as well as disabled persons. They think that everyone understands that those groups are included in the initiative. Presenting the model so early in the meeting may have been too much information and not enough clarification. Should have been more reflection on how the different individuals and groups fit in the public health arena. Ways to explain how the process works and how to get more information on public health to these individuals was discussed. Email information could be sent to the group or a conference call to the group could be set up to explain the process in more detail.

Advisory Council members wouldn’t make up the research groups (work groups), they would only advise, but some of them could serve in the work groups. These people are administrators, influencers and supervisors and they would know who to contact.

Reasonable outcomes from next Advisory Council meeting – mechanics from group on what they see as the future and their involvement in Phase II as well as useful strategies. Also use recommendations from the Professional Organizations meeting. The Advisory Council also stated that they need more information from the other states - this will happen at the second meeting in June. Revisit the proposed agenda from Eric and come up with a revised agenda for next week’s conference call to see if it gets us to where we need to be. If anyone has more thoughts, contact Casey.

Who needs to be invited or included in the next Advisory Council Meeting – mental health, behavioral health, St. Louis city and county, legislators, more diversity and specifics...but bringing someone or other organizations in at this point would be difficult to get them up to speed between now and June 14. It was suggested that when the initiative becomes operationalized, then bring in more people and more diversity and pinpoint people and organizations.



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Executive Committee and Transitions – Is the steering committee transitioning to the Executive Committee and who will be on the Project operations committee? It was reported that there is interest from MoCPHE and from St. Louis or from the Professional Organizations to serve on the Executive Committee. Hopefully there will be an opportunity to have some political power or other influencers on this committee as well. Several names were discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Dates for upcoming events:

May 23 – Steering Committee Conference Calls – 3:30 p.m.

June 6, 13, 20 and 27 – Steering/Executive Committee Conference Calls – 3:30 p.m.

May 30 – Professional Organization Meeting – Missouri Chamber

June 14 – Advisory Council Meeting, Courtyard by Marriott, Columbia

June 22 – MoPBRN meeting, DHSS

July 11 – Executive Committee meeting, MPHA office