

II. Moment of Silence

Mr. Neff called for a moment of silence in recognition of lost loved ones.

III. Introductions (In-person attendees)

Members, guests, and staff attending in person introduced themselves.

IV. Roll Call (Zoom attendees)

Staff read the names of members and guests participating via Zoom. Guests were asked to send a chat message to have their attendance recorded.

V. Housekeeping/Meeting Rules

Mr. Neff presented the PowerPoint, *Partnership Meeting Housekeeping – Hybrid Meetings* (copy on file), including code of conduct, resource persons, and attendance. Members and guests were reminded that this meeting – including video, audio, and chat box input – is being recorded and will become part of the public record.

VI. Floor Open to the Public

Mr. Neff opened the floor to the public with the following statement:

“Pursuant to Florida Sunshine Law, I want to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard on any item on our agenda today. If there is anyone who wishes to be heard, I invite you to speak now. Each person will be given three minutes to speak. Please begin by stating your name and address for the record before you talk about your concerns. BSR has a dedicated telephone line as well as a general email address for statements to be read into the record. No statements were received via the telephone line or email.”

There were no comments; the floor was then closed.

VII. Review/Approve Agenda

Members reviewed the agenda; there were no changes

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved: David Goldberg

Seconded: Stephen Herz

Motion: Passed

VIII. Review/Approve Minutes of August 17, 2021

Members reviewed the minutes of the Partnership meeting of August 17, 2021. There were no corrections.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021 as presented.

Moved: Sannita Vaughn

Seconded: Frederick Downs

Motion: Passed

IX. Membership

Mr. Neff highlighted vacancies as projected in the meeting room and on Zoom. Members were encouraged to bring a “plus-one” to each meeting.

X. Reports

A. Grantee/Recipient Reports

▪ Ryan White Part A/Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI)

Daniel T. Wall

Daniel T. Wall, Office of Management and Budget – Miami-Dade County (OMB), reported on Ryan White Part A/Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) Program (RWP) updates. The latest expenditure reports and client count were projected (copies on file).

The Ryan White Program HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part A/MAI grant was submitted.

All Part A/MAI contracts are executed; final copies pending form Jackson Health Systems.

The client-level database management system, Provide Enterprises Miami (PE-Miami), was sold; further updates about the new vendor will be announced soon.

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announced the elimination of the six-month recertification requirement for Part A/MAI clients. Clients may now recertify every 12 months or as needed depending on life changes.

▪ Ryan White Part B

David Goldberg

David Goldberg, Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County (FDOH), reviewed the *Florida Department of Health Expenditure/Invoice Reports* for August 2021. Data presented are current as of the date posted. Expenditures and clients served are lower than expected due to other funding covering Part B services, particularly Emergency Financial Assistance for Test and Treat/Rapid Access (TTRA). Home Health Care remains as a place-holder should the service be needed.

FDOH is working with PE-Miami (or new vendor, as noted above) on an integrated database which will be in line with Ryan White Program PE-Miami database and will reduce duplication of effort for medical case managers in entering client data. Training of FDOH staff on PE-Miami is ongoing.

▪ AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Miami

Javier Romero

Dr. Javier Romero, FDOH-Miami-Dade County, reviewed September data which was not available prior to the meeting. The September reports will be distributed to members after the meeting. New medications have been added to the ADAP Drug Formulary.

▪ General Revenue at SFAN

Angela Machado

Angela Machado, South Florida AIDS Network, reviewed the General Revenue (GR) Report for July 2021. July is the first month of the GR fiscal year.

▪ Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

Roberto Tazoe, City of Miami, Department of Housing & Community Development, was not present; the HOPWA Report was tabled.

B. Committee Reports

Committee Reports to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership were projected on the shared screen and committee officers read the motions into the record for the board's consideration. In-person member attendees were provided a paper copy of the report.

▪ **Community Coalition**

Community Coalition Chair, Sannita Vaughn, advised members that the committee has re-branded itself as the *Community Coalition Roundtable: The HIV Community that speaks for the HIV Community*. Feedback from Roundtables will be reviewed by the Executive Committee as to which committee(s) should address each concern; response to concerns will be reported back to the Coalition. Some of the topics to be addressed are:

- Navigating the service system with Affordable Care Act providers;
- Responding to social determinants of health, including housing, mental health, and substance use;
- Hiring more people with HIV for paid positions vs. volunteer position;
- Addressing relationship-building between clients and providers; and
- Coordinating efforts to help people with HIV who are released from jails and prisons.

Mr. Wall asked that the list of feedback responses be forwarded to his attention.

Ms. Vaughn advised that three applications for Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership membership were reviewed and recommended for appointment. Applicants introduced themselves and members voted on each application:

Motion to recommend to the Mayor of Miami-Dade County the appointment to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership of Ana Garcia for the seat: Representative from agencies receiving grants under Ryan White Part D, or from organizations with a history of providing services to children, youth, and families.

Moved: Sannita Vaughn

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

Motion to recommend to the Mayor of Miami-Dade County the appointment to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership of Harold McIntyre for the seat: Former inmate of a local, state, or federal prison who was released from custody of the penal system during the preceding three years and had HIV disease as of the date of release.

Moved: Sannita Vaughn

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

Motion to recommend to the Mayor of Miami-Dade County the appointment to the Miami-Dade HIV/AIDS Partnership of Alberto Perez-Bermudez for a Representative of the Affected Community seat designated for persons with HIV who are not affiliated or employed by a Ryan White Program Part A funded service provider and who receive one or more Ryan White Program Part A services.

Moved: Sannita Vaughn

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

▪ **Strategic Planning Committee**

Mr. Goldberg advised that the *Assessment of the Ryan White Program Recipient Administrative Mechanism Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Report* was completed, which satisfies a requirement of the HRSA Part A/MAI grant application.

Motion to approve the *Assessment of the Ryan White Program Recipient Administrative Mechanism Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Report* as presented.

Moved: David Goldberg

Seconded: Frederick Downs

Motion: Passed

C. Approval of Reports

There were no additional action items from standing committees; Mr. Neff called for a motion:

Motion to accept the Membership, Grantee/Recipient, and Committee Reports as presented.

Moved: Frederick Downs

Seconded: Daniel T. Wall

Motion: Passed

XI. Standing Business

There were no Standing Business items.

XII. New Business

▪ Ryan White Program Grant Application Letter of Assurance Ratification

Because the Partnership was unable to reach quorum prior to the HRSA RWHAP grant due date, the required Letter of Assurance was included prior to approval by the board. The letter was available for comment for more than one month prior to the due date; no comments were received. The Chair signed the letter and it was included in the grant application.

Mr. Neff called for a motion to ratify the letter.

Motion to ratify the Ryan White Program Grant Application Letter of Assurance as presented.

Moved: Daniel T. Wall

Seconded: Stephen Herz

Motion: Passed

XIII. Announcements

Staff announced upcoming presentations at the Prevention Committee meeting and Community Coalition Roundtable. Ms. Vaughn announced upcoming events organized by Positive People's Network. Meeting and event details are available on AIDSNET.org, and flyers for meetings were distributed.

Long-time Partnership member Barbara Messick announced her retirement and that this was her last meeting. Members presented Ms. Messick with a card and applauded her work for the HIV community.

XIV. Next Meeting

Mr. Neff announced the next meeting is November 15, 2021 at the Miami-Dade Library and via Zoom.

XV. Adjournment

Mr. Neff called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Frederick Downs

Seconded: Sannita Vaughn

Motion: Passed

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.