

PERSON SERVED ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

*Minutes for Meeting October 14, 2009 6:00pm
A-wing Board Room*

ATTENDEES:

Jerilyn George, Joelyn Karlson, Beth Loeffler, Tom Berry, Johan Fatemi, Tom Quade, Mark Van Winkle, Mary Van Winkle, Sarah Van Winkle, Hope Carr

SURVEY RESULTS – The 2009 parent/guardian survey results are not available in entirety yet. The survey does include more than 61 respondents, will have a 95% Confidence Level, and within + - 5% Margin of Error. This committee feels it would be beneficial to be able to conduct a survey using questions created by this group. Before Summit DD can properly modify and educate families on governing documents and subject matter, it needs to be determined what families want to know and how they want to be informed. We are requesting that each committee member submit questions they would like to see on a survey. The questions should address areas 1) what topics 2) ranking items. All questions need to require the respondent to identify the age of the person receiving services. It was also suggested that a survey should ask for person served age in order to take generational differences into consideration when analyzing results.

NEW WAIVER AMMENDMENTS - There are three waiver amendments proposed for December 2009. The first will establish rate parameters for families that provide waiver services. It is expected this will result in a rate increase for 2/3 of families. The second amendment will allow the waiver to reimburse remote monitoring services. The third will establish a daily rate for day respite services, such as camp.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES – Survey results indicate that families do not want face to face trainings. The preferred means of communication noted were email and newsletters.

FAMILY CHAT UPDATE – Peggy Martin, the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (ODODD) Family Advisor, conducts a State Family Advisory Council every 6 weeks. The morning session is an open communication with State Director John Martin and the afternoon is a formal agenda. It was suggested that a member of this committee attend the meeting in Columbus on a rotating roster. The next meeting is schedule to be in November. Peggy can be reached at Peggy.Martin@dodd.ohio.gov or 614 - 466 - 8706

2010 OPERATING PLAN – The 2010 Operating Plan will be presented to the Board at the November 18th Board Meeting. This committee will meet November 11th in order to review the Plan in advance. The 2010 Operating Plan will be emailed to committee members as soon as it is available.

NEW WEBSITE – www.summitdd.org

REMINDER – Feel welcome to email jgeorge@summitdd.org or myannayon@summitdd.org with any topics you would like included on the next meeting agenda.

NEXT PAC MEETING – November 11, 2009 at 6:00pm in the A-wing Board Room