

May 14, 1999 MINUTES

Location: Allegheny County Courthouse, Room 119, Meeting Room 1, Pittsburgh, PA

Members Present: Judith Barricella, Chairperson, Ruth Walter Brenyo, Al Condeluci, and Paul O'Hanlon

Members Absent: William Coleman, Linda Dickerson, and Richard McGann

Others Present: Marshall Gordon, Liz Healey, Theresa Lomperski, Teekie Smith, Oliva Davis (Coro Fellow) and Katherine Price (Coro Fellow)

The meeting began with introductions. T. Lomperski made a couple announcements: 1) Dean Turner's production project and his need for funding; 2) First Night and the family march project.

J. Barricella presented a recap of the Housing Conference. There was a brief discussion of housing issues in the Pittsburgh area and the fact that a lot was happening related to housing in the State but that Pittsburgh wasn't following suit. The question of whether the Task Force should convene a delegation and go to Harrisburg was asked.

A Condeluci presented an update on the budget, explaining expenditures and billing issues. Questions were raised about the budget and the proposal for Task Force activities for next year. A. Condeluci will send a copy of the written proposal to T. Smith.

M. Gordon presented an update of the Disability Agenda 2000. L. Healey and T. Lomperski made brief remarks related to the sectors they staff. Implementation of the final recommendations was discussed. L. Healey indicated that it should be the responsibility of the Sector Chairs to make recommendations for implementation. Discussion continued, indicating that this issue would be discussed on October 6th at the Sector Chair meeting. The public presentation of the final document was also discussed. The presentation will be in January/February 2000. The guest speaker for the event and related details has not been finalized yet. A grant has been prepared and submitted to Dee Delaney, Federation of School Alumni, for funding.

The future of the Task Force was discussed. A number of issues were identified and discussed. It was determined that there is a need to identify a purpose and a structure to advance the purpose. It was also determined that the future of the Task Force as well as the implementation of the Disability Agenda 2000 project would be best discussed in a day-long retreat. The issues identified are as follows:

- Judy will be leaving the Task Force effective after completion of the DA2000 document.
- T. Lomperski's involvement and the County funding.
- Number of Task Force members and their membership/appointment.
- Term limits for Task Force members
- Task Force Mission, unique role—projects versus effecting public policy.
- Decision to continue/not continue with the Task Force—who's decision is it and why is the Task Force important.

DAY-LONG RETREAT: DATE/TIME: **October 26, 1999/9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**
Breakfast & Lunch provided. LOCATION: **United Way, 1 Smithfield Street, Stackhouse Room**

These minutes have been produced to the best of the author's ability. Please contact Theresa Lomperski, 255-2988 or theresa.lomperski@city.pittsburgh.pa.us as soon as possible with amendments.