

**Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council
Ramada Kearney, Kearney, NE
May 19, 2011**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Armstrong, Buettner (on phone), Dymacek, Gordon, Hausmann, Hawley-Grieser, Hoffmann (on phone), Hux, Lehman, Terryberry-Spohr, Velinsky, Verzal, Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hon, Johannes, Hawley-Grieser

ADVISORS PRESENT: Diaz, Jensen

STAFF PRESENT: Bennett, Noha, Reisher

VISITORS PRESENT: Rondi Kinny, Quality Living

The meeting of the State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council commenced at 5:30 p.m. Public notification of this meeting was made on the Nebraska Department of Education web site.

AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was reviewed. Venlinksy moved and Hausmann seconded a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. There were no objections to the motion. **The motion carried by unanimous consent.**

APPROVAL OF MARCH 4, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

Two corrections:

Page 1, Conflict of Interest-add Lori Terryberry-Spohr, Madonna to list of members

Page 3 Task Force Reports, Task Force on Children and Youth (fourth bullet point) BIRSST should be deleted and replaced with the Children's Task Force

A motion was made by Hausmann and seconded by Hux to approve the March 4, 2011 minutes with the corrections. There were no objections to the motion. **The motion carried by unanimous consent.**

OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Armstrong announced that the meeting was an open meeting and the Open Meetings Law was posted on the table.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Bennett distributed Task Force Reports and reported that DHHS has approved a research proposal at the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers.

5th ANNUAL TBI CONFERENCE UPDATE

Reisher reported 250 people registered for the conference and 67 stipends were awarded and there are 22 vendors. A financial summary is not yet available. The Council discussed consumer vs. professional tracks, the possibility of having speakers pay a registration fee, and asked if stipend recipients could volunteer at the conference.

REPORT ON THE 2011 HRSA TBI GRANTEE MEETING

The meeting was attended by Armstrong, Bennett and Reisher. They shared information on the sessions they attended, including the Affordable Health Care Act, leadership to become better advocates, and sports concussion.

STRATEGIC MARKETING PLAN UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS

Verzal reported that the next step would be to meet with Snitily Carr to discuss priorities and cost. Armstrong expressed that web site development should not be paid for with grant funds.

A marketing task force will be established to assist in coordinating the task forces and involve others in the marketing process.

2010-2011 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A video will be shown Friday morning at the conference which includes a summary of this year's accomplishments.

WRAP UP AND ADJOURN

Reisher was recognized for her work on the grant as Project Coordinator.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: June 24, 2011, 10:30-3:30 p.m., Center for People in Need, Lincoln.