

Oklahoma 2-1-1 Advisory Collaborative

Meeting Highlights

June 30, 2004

City Hall – Stroud, Oklahoma

Welcome:

Chairman Jim Lyall called the meeting to order 10:00 am. Those in attendance:

Pam Cross	Kay Seymour	Karen Sedberry
Jim Lyall	Debbie Price	Sharon Prichord
Toni Frioux	Shadow Foster	Nita Holstine
Carrie Wiggs	Raymond Haddock	Misty Roden
Madalyn McCollom	Mary Howell	LaNell Daniel
Helene Schwartz	Judy Leitner	Barbara Dove
Steve Wilt	Kelli McNeal	Kelly Riha
Linda Jenkins	Linda Soos-Davis	
Pam Shepherd	Agnes Morris	

1. Introduction of New Board Members and Announcements.

This was the second official meeting of the newly seated board since the establishment of by-laws and officers. Jim asked for introductions from those in attendance. Proxy for Brad Yarborough, Office of Faith Based Liaison was Debbie Price.

2. Update on SB 1405

Jim Lyall reminded those in attendance of official signing by Gov. Brad Henry on June 3, 2004. Carrie Wiggs has submitted paperwork for a “celebratory signing”. This should happen in July. She included the entire roster for inclusion at signing. Everyone is invited to attend. More information forthcoming. Carrie sent a press release about the bill passage to all collaborative members for local newspapers. Those reporting coverage included Tulsa and Ponca City. Linda Soos-Davis offered the services of their Public Information Officer to help with any publicity as needed.

3. OK Telephone Association Conference

Kay Seymour reported on the annual conference in June. 300 in attendance. She talked about 2-1-1 in her state of the state address and had hand-outs for all participants. She was approached by participants for more information. Clark Bailey, regulator of SBC spoke with Kay about the issues of tariffs and the conundrum of needing a rate to submit and needing to ask the telephone companies for rates first.

Steve Wilt suggested the first group to file an application should send an official letter to SBC as other telephone companies to start the ball rolling as other companies will follow their lead. Jim Lyall said that Tulsa will submit a letter to inform them of their intention to file.

According to Kay the second largest telephone company behind SBC is Cox, then Valor, Pioneer, Alltel and TDS.

Committee Reports:

4. **Resource and Development Committee-** Toni Frioux reported on the meeting. Written report attached.

5. **Funding for Statewide Initiatives**

Jim Lyall has approached several foundations to fund 2-1-1 state initiatives. He also visited with DHS and the state Health Department. Jim and Carrie made presentations to Tulsa Mayor's Homeland Security Taskforce. They talked about partnerships and funding. Linda Soos-Davis from OK Emergency Management is responsible for the state Homeland Security Citizen Corps project funds. She may be able to "carve some funds out" of that program for staffing. She feels 2-1-1 is a critical part of the homeland security puzzle. They would utilize 2-1-1 in case of a state disaster.

Madalyn McCollum discussed JOIN and they will make a presentation at next month's Collaborative meeting. The Collaborative may be able to use JOIN to help link 2-1-1 information statewide. Hopefully 2-1-1 and JOIN can have cross-representation on each other's advisory groups.

Mary Howell from DVR suggested that all Collaborative members discuss 2-1-1 and provide materials to groups around the state. (affiliations we are involved with, state meetings, etc.)

Jim Lyall asked to continue efforts for Calling for 2-1-1 Act.

Point of Order: Jim Lyall asked for a motion to accept last month's minutes as e-mailed. Linda Jenkins moved and Pam Cross seconded. Passed unanimously.

6. **Update on Letters of Intent/Application Committee Status**

Carrie Wiggs reported that nine letters of intent have been received to date. The due date is today at 5pm. Call-A-Ride/Ada United Way, Women's Service/Family Resource Center (Chickasha), Community Service Council/Helpline (Tulsa), Contact Crisis Helpline in OKC, United Way Lawton, United Way of Ponca City/Helpline, INCA Community Services (Tishomingo), Red Cross – Western OK Chapter (Elk City), and EODD – AAA (Muskogee)

Additional submissions: KEDDO – AAA (Wilburton) and Bartlesville Regional United Way

The Review committee will meet on July 1st to discuss letters. They will map any gaps and duplications.

Reason for Letters of Intent

- Identify as many people as possible as potential centers
- Identify any groups that might need our assistance or more information
- Identify gaps
- Understand where there might be crossover

Conflict of Interest forms need to be developed. Carrie has received some templates to be reviewed by the Collaborative. This will help maintain the integrity within the group to the public. It was suggested that this needs to be "run by" the State Ethics Commission. The Resource and Development Committee will review samples at their July meeting. Carrie will e-mail samples. Please have comments to Carrie by July 12.

Kelli McNeal, Turning Point Council, stated that they may offer help with areas that haven't been covered. They have 46 communities statewide and could be a conduit to increase service and help bring the concept of 2-1-1 to rural communities.

7. Other Business

Pam Cross reported that OKC presented a one hour overview of 2-1-1. Over 20 agencies attended and the response was very positive.

AIRSO was invited to attend the Collaborative meeting today. Several members were in attendance. Pam Shepherd, state president, reported that AIRSO is organizing names from around the state and will forward all AIRSO participants to Carrie Wiggs when completed so that they may begin receiving 2-1-1 information.

Mary Howell offered to brief the Mental Health Planning Council on 2-1-1 and update the group as needed.

Thank you to other 2-1-1 Collaborative members who are making presentations in their communities about the importance statewide implementation!

Jim Lyall adjourned meeting at 11:45am. Next meeting will be held in OKC on July 28, 2003, at 10:00 am. The location will be the Oklahoma Telephone Association. The address is: 301 NW 63rd St., Ste. 410

Directions from Tulsa: Take Turnpike west to Oklahoma City. As you are approaching the turnpike exit in Oklahoma City, watch for directions to Kilpatrick Turnpike. Take Kilpatrick Turnpike to the US 77, also known as Broadway Extension, and exit South. Go South on Broadway extension until you see the 63rd St. exit. At the stop light, turn right or west and go two blocks to the intersection of 63rd and Harvey place. Turn rt. on Harvey and immediately to the left which is the parking lot for our building. It is a white, six story building with the numbers 301 at the top. It is a hexagon shaped building.

For those in Oklahoma City, they probably will be traveling the Broadway extension. They should take the 63rd street exit and go west and follow the same instructions as above.

Respectfully submitted,

Helene Schwartz

Secretary, Oklahoma 2-1-1 Advisory Collaborative