

MINUTES  
Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse  
July 20, 2010

**CALL TO ORDER**

The two hundred first regular meeting of the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Second Vice Chairman John Gluck.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**

Second Vice Chairman John Gluck announced that notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 – 10:4-21).

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by the Council members present.

**ROLL CALL**

Susan Massaro called the roll. Members present and absent were noted for the record (see attached record).

**Acting Chairman's Remarks**

Mr. Gluck apologized to everyone that there were no refreshments at the meeting due to a mix up with the vendor.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Gluck asked for a motion to approve the April 21, 2010 minutes as presented to the Council.

Betty Ann Cowling Carson motioned to approve the April 21, 2010 minutes as presented to the Council; seconded by Gregg Benson. A roll call vote was taken (see attached vote sheet) and the motion carried.

Mr. Gluck asked for a motion to approve the June 16, 2010 minutes as presented to the Council.

Gregg Benson motioned to approve the June 16, 2010 minutes as presented to the Council; seconded by Harry Morey. A roll call vote was taken (see attached vote sheet) and the motion carried.

**Discussion and vote to adopt a resolution in support of S1696 that amends existing statute concerning student survey**

Kay McGrath, chair of the Legislative Subcommittee, noted that the resolution was discussed at last month's meeting and the Council has supported this issue in the past.

Second Vice Chairman Gluck asked for a motion to approve the resolution to support S1696.

Betty Ann Cowling Carson motioned to approve the resolution to support S1696; seconded by Gregg Benson. A roll call vote was taken (see attached vote sheet) and the motion carried.

**Discussion and vote to adopt a resolution in support of S796 that revises statutory mental health coverage requirements**

Kay McGrath noted that the resolution was discussed at last month's meeting and gave a brief update on the status of the legislation.

Mr. Gluck asked for a motion to approve the resolution to support S796.

Gregg Benson motioned to approve the resolution to support S796; seconded by Harry Morey. A roll call vote was taken (see attached vote sheet) and the motion carried.

**Executive Committee – No Report**

**Workgroup – Guideline Revisions**

John Gluck reported that there was a meeting of the workgroup and members have a copy of the revised guidelines in their meeting package. Mr. Gluck thanked all the members of the workgroup for their diligent work on the guidelines. The workgroup revised some language to better address the intent regarding evidence-based and practice-based programming requirements. The guidelines will be voted on at next month's Council meeting. Any member who has suggestions for changes can e-mail them to Executive Director Powner.

**Alliance Committee**

Harry Morey, Chair, reported that the Alliance Committee met on July 13, 2010.

Mr. Morey gave a brief overview of the presentation to the committee given by Terry Elman, Education Coordinator of the New Jersey Council on Compulsive Gambling.

**Interdepartmental Advisory Panel** - No Report

**Planning Committee**

Betty Ann Cowling Carson, chair, reported that the committee will be meeting in September.

**Criminal/Juvenile Justice Subcommittee** – No Report

**Legislative Subcommittee** – No Report

**Treatment Subcommittee**

Gregg Benson, chair, reported that the Treatment Subcommittee met immediately after the Council meeting in June.

Dr. Father Ed Reading of the New Jersey Licensing Committee, which oversees the certification and licensure for the CADC and LCADC in the State of New Jersey, gave a presentation to the committee. Mr. Benson provided a brief overview of the presentation. Following up on some issues raised in the presentation, Mr. Benson has asked for a meeting with John Hulick, the Governor's Policy Advisory for addiction issues, and Executive Director Powner to discuss funding for clinical treatment, education and training.

The subcommittee also discussed one of the issues relative to licensure in New Jersey was the lack of the LCADC (Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor) having parity with other clinical disciplines like Licensed Counselors, Licensed Clinical Social Worker and others. Mr. Benson discussed the history of the licensure process, the current requirements and the need for some statutory adjustment to be able to expand the scope of practice of credentialed LCADCs.

The subcommittee will be meeting immediately after the Council meeting today.

**Veterans and Military Ad Hoc Committee** – No Report

**Other Business** – No Other Business

**Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Powner noted that the state budget was adopted with GCADA funding intact and with no organizational changes affecting the Council. There will be a status update on the DEDR Fund next month and if it occurs before the next meeting she will update the Council at the August meeting.

Ms. Powner also discussed the status of Council membership. She has reached out to John Hulick to discuss filling the public member vacancies.

At last month's meeting Executive Director Powner reported that the waiver was approved for the CADCA Coalition Academy trainings to proceed. The training is slated to start in late October/early November and continue for a year.

Ms. Powner has been in discussions with the counties on the next round of alliance program planning. GCADA will be reaching out to the Division of Addiction Services to determine if they wish to work together in a unified planning process.

### **Adjournment**

Second Vice Chairman Gluck adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Mary Lou Powner  
Executive Director