

**MINUTES OF THE
MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
December 16, 2009**

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Peter Bucknall, MAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Peter thanked those in attendance for their participation.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 18, 2009 meeting were approved unanimously, as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Dave Lynn, Treasurer, reported that the balance in the treasury as of November 30, 2009 is unchanged at \$2,581.53. The Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously, as submitted.

Committee Reports

Credentials. Ellen Carter, MAC Credential Chair, reported that Carl Shields, the former Alternate from Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, is the newly elected Representative. Angela Levix is the new DMHAS Alternate. Angela introduced herself and was welcomed. Discussion ensued about agencies that are to hold elections for terms beginning January 1, 2010. A letter should be sent to those agencies, with a copy to agency human resources administrators.

Old Business

Speakers and Logistics. Claudia Helfgott has confirmed that Deputy Commissioner Cichetti has accepted our invitation to provide an update on the banking industry. He is available for the January 2010 meeting. If there are specific topics the membership would like Mr. Cichetti to address, please e-mail Elise Kremer. She will collate the topics and forward them on to Claudia. There was no update on the status of Mark Polzella's effort to schedule an economist for the March 2010 meeting. Elise will follow up with Mark. Discussion ensued about an invitation to a member of Legislative leadership. The group's recollection was that Don Currey had offered to facilitate an invitation in the past. Elise will follow up with Don.

Web Site. Chris Beloff has been keeping the website updated and has resolved the issue with the e-alerts about updated content. Members confirmed that they did receive the e-alert. Ellen has provided an updated membership list, and this will be published on the website. Chris was thanked for his efforts in keeping the website updated on such a timely basis.

Communications Committee. In Tom Crafa's absence, there was no report.

Orientation Committee. Dave Lynn reported that the next activity will be participation in the next iteration of the New Managers Orientation Program, which will begin on Thursday, January 28. Peter and Dave have been invited to present their brief segment introducing MAC, which has been well received in past sessions.

Other Old Business. There was no other Old Business.

New Business

Managers Day 2010. A planning committee will be convened after the first of the new year. Peter invites participation and would particularly welcome new members and fresh views. We will need to be diligent in controlling costs, and ideas are particularly needed for keynote speakers who would be affordable. A sign-up sheet was made available for those who wish to volunteer.

Other New Business. Dr. Joyce Saltman, one of the featured speakers at Manager's Day 2009, graciously donated her speaking fee of \$1000.00, on behalf of MAC, to The Hole In The Wall Gang Camp, the famous charity founded in 1988 by the late actor and Connecticut resident Paul Newman. A letter was received from the Hole-in-the-Wall Gang Camp thanking MAC. The letter will be posted to the website. We would also like to share it with Secretary Genuario, hopefully along with a letter from DCF. Discussion ensued about the importance of MAC continuing its volunteer efforts in charitable work.

Dave Lynn provided a follow-up regarding the process involving managers targeted for layoff as a result of discontinued programs, consolidation of agencies, and facility closures. Every manager targeted for layoff has been offered a position, although not necessarily at the same level.

Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

The list of those in attendance at the December 16, 2009 meeting is attached and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 20, 2010 in Conference Room B at the Department of Transportation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise Kremer
MAC Secretary
MAC Representative for the
Department of Public Health

MAC ATTENDANCE ROSTER
December 16, 2009

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rep/Alt/Guest</u>
Administrative Services	Dave Lynn, Treasurer	R
Banking	Claudia Helfgott	R
Comptroller	Brenda Halpin	R
Consumer Protection	Elisa Nahas	A
Developmental Services	Jadwiga Goclowski	R
Insurance	Barbara Spear	R
Insurance	Mark Murphy	G
Mental Health and Addiction Services	Angela Levix	A
Motor Vehicles	David Ostafin	A
Pardons and Parole	Rasa Pakalnis	R
Policy and Management	Ellen Carter	R
Public Health	Elise Kremer, Secretary	R
Public Utility Control	Peter O'Neil	R
Social Services	Peter Bucknall, Chair	R
Transportation	Wanda Seldon	R
Veterans' Affairs	Babatunde Green	R
Veterans' Affairs	Chris Beloff	A