

Collier Partners in Transition (PIT) Team  
2008-9 Meeting #3 Minutes  
January 12, 2009  
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**Present Members:**

1. Allman Todd, CCPS
2. Paul Starzyk, Sunrise Community
3. Emma Trevino, DVR
4. Susan Ham, FDLRS
5. Wilbur Hawke, FND
6. Leigh Anna Nowak, CARD
7. Josephine Morse, FFDD
8. Carlos Menjivar, CAT
9. Mary Kelly, CCPS
10. Jenni Meunch, Collier County Parks & Rec
11. Jaime Bastillos, Student Barron Collier HS
12. Robert Broughton, Student Barron Collier HS

**Welcome and Introductions**

The Collier PIT meeting was held in the Martin Luther King Administration Center, Collier County Public Schools (CCPS), Room 1-103, on Monday, January 12, 2009. The meeting was called to order approximately 1 pm, and facilitated by Allman Todd, CCPS.

We had two new student members, Jaime Bastillos, a Junior at Barron Collier HS and Robert Broughton, a Senior at Barron Collier HS. They both said a few words and were welcomed by the group. Leigh Anna Nowak of CARD was also welcomed. She has agreed to become a member and will be providing some training for us in the near future, which will be explained in greater detail later in these minutes.

**Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Minutes from the November 17, 2008 were submitted and approved by members in attendance.

**Project 10 Update**

Allman reminded the group that due to budget cuts State Partners in Transition and Project CONNECT were no longer functioning entities. **Project 10** is now replacing previous Transition initiatives in the state, and the funding for this year will be \$3,000. As we did most of the obligatory activities last year, ie. focus groups, etc., about the only thing we will still need to accomplish is continued work on our Memorandum of Understanding.

### **Collier PIT Memorandum of Understanding**

The group spent considerable time on the Memorandum of Understanding and/or Interagency Agreement. After much discussion, a bit of the language was changed and consensus was reached. Allman will try to get this document completed quickly and out to group electronically so the membership can seek their respective “upline” signatures so those signed documents can be presented at the next PIT meeting.

### **Collier PIT Goals for 2008-9**

Goals for 2008-9 from last meeting were further discussed and the group prioritized the following items in their order of preference:

- Guardianship/Estate Planning
- Benefits/Services
- Independent Living
- Sexuality/Social Skills

The thought of when and where these training might occur got a great deal of discussion. The need for child care and time of day was discussed, which of course impacts the possible locations of trainings. Leigh Anna Nowak of CARD was present at the meeting and spoke to the training content. She is prepared to provide the training if we wish. There are others that may be capable as well. The key question is the “when, where, and how to provide coverage for young children”. Allie said there were probably school sites where that could be provided for a reasonable fee. More to come.

### **Next Meetings**

The remaining meetings this year are:

- 3/16/09
- 5/18/09

All meetings will be at the same time as in the past, from 1 to 3 with sub committees meeting at 12:30.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.