

SAC Medical Use Working Group

Minutes of Meeting

June 5, 2002

Present at the meeting were Allen Reedy, Christina Pagonis,
Dr. John Berkoben, Patricia Worden, Judy Oliver, and Bob Carey

1. Minutes of meeting of April 3, 2002 were distributed and accepted.
2. Bob Carey and Allen Reedy updated the other members about the ongoing evaluation by the Symmes Advisory Committee and Arlington Redevelopment Board of the requests for proposals for the Symmes Hospital Reuse and Feasibility Plan.
3. Allen Reedy presented the Public Use Working Group's criteria to evaluate each proposal. The 3 criteria selected are:
 - (1) need (based on the communities perception)
 - (2) fit (how it fits in with other uses including present medical uses)
 - (3) practical aspects (for example revenue and costs)He suggested the Medical Use Working Group might develop criteria for evaluating the various medical uses. He also suggested the group might want to consider a plan or vision for the entire site.
4. Mrs. Patricia Worden suggested a "family medical practice" be established at Symmes.
5. Bob Carey listed the following medical organizations which have expressed interest in possibly moving into the Symmes Hospital;
 - (1) Visiting Nurses and Community Health, Inc., presently on Broadway in Arlington, have expressed interest in moving to this location and adding an out patient program for wound care and other community health needs.
 - (2). The Arlington Board of Health, presently at the Fox Library, has expressed interest in moving to this location.
 - (3). The Arlington Cancer Support Program for families and patients is presently at the Senior Center. The director, Mary Lewis Sheehan, has expressed interest in moving to Symmes.
 - (4). The Children's Room, which provides support for children who have lost parents or other caretakers, is presently located at the Baptist Church. The director, Judy Oliver, has expressed interest in moving to Symmes.
 - (5). Hospice Care, Inc. previously expressed an interest in setting up an in patient hospice program at Symmes, but their parent organization has decided not to pursue any new ventures at this time. An in patient hospice program at Symmes might fit in well with the goals of the Sanborn Foundation which is dedicated to "the cure and treatment of cancer" for Arlington residents.

Robert J. Carey
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