Community Advisory Council – Steering Committee Meeting

Friday, January 3rd, 6:30 p.m.

Present: Ginger Walton, CAC Chair; Fred Palmer, BCDD Director; Bruce Keisling, BCDD Associate Director

Not Present: CAC Steering Committee members Melvin Jackson and Ace Madjlesi were both absent due to sickness. BCDD Training Coordinator Elizabeth Bishop also intended to attend but was ill.

The upcoming Disability Days on the Hill (January 28-29) was discussed. The ARC will provide bus transportation from Memphis to Nashville for the event. CAC members are encouraged to consider attending on behalf of our center and the families we serve. BCDD Faculty, staff and trainees will also be invited to attend.

The Evaluation Plan of our five-year University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) grant was reviewed. It was decided that a grant Goal (or a portion of a Goal) would be reviewed during each of the quarterly meetings this year. This review would include a presentation by faculty / staff directly involved in specific goal objectives and outcomes. The CAC would be asked to provide input with regard to activities and outcome measures.

Ginger indicated her desire to have Ned Solomon with the DD Council and Chris Myers, member of the Harwood Center board, come speak to the CAC in 2014.

Ginger expressed an interest in attending the 2014 AUCD annual conference as a way of becoming more familiar with the national network of UCEDD programs.

The tentative dates for the 2104 CAC meetings are as follows. All meetings are from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the 6th floor conference room of the Boling Center:

- February 12
- May 14
- August 20
- November 19