

**Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
July 11, 1994**

Present - Kim, Brian, Craig, Ernie, Joan, Wilson, Graham, Sherry, Patricia
and Deena..

Regrets - Marianne, Debbie, and Lorne

Absent - Karan

Advisory Board Format

It was decided that the format of the Advisory Board would be changed because of the varying degrees of time availability. The larger Advisory Board will meet once every two months but a Steering Committee was struck that will meet with the Community AIDS Educator on a more regular basis. The Steering Committee is Kim, Brian, Graham and Lorne.

Irondale

Concerns were expressed as to how culturally sensitive the theater piece is at this time. A meeting was set with Irondale for July 15,1994 at 3:30 to give feedback on the content of the piece.

Brochure

Copies of the first draft of the brochure were passed out for feedback. The Brochure should be in detail, including everything of importance, but must be written at a grade eight level. The colors should be noticeable. The final feedback is due July 15,1994.

Training Manual

One of the early suggestions for the Training Manual was that it should include "difficult to answer" questions that people may ask within the presentation. Training the participants should also include a study guide with questions. The training session should be a two day workshop, one day just talking on AIDS and the next day on AIDS and Racism, AIDS in the Black Community etc. The trainers should be presented with a certificate after they completed the two day workshop. Role playing could be a creative way to get more community feedback. Development be similar and systematic, and instructions should be very clear and concise to generate discussion. It was suggested that the Community AIDS Educator contact George Hum Thomas to film IRONDALE and the training sessions to act as a resource.

Resource Kit

The Resource Kit should include Black history in Nova Scotia. Furthermore this should include the denial of AIDS within the Black communities across Nova Scotia.

Black Outreach Project Autonomy

The Advisory Board feels that HIV/AIDS education must continue past the end of the Black Outreach Project's funding. It was agreed that the new provincial organization that will be formed in March of 1995 should have a secure position within it, dealing with Outreach to the Black community. It was also said the Black people should be represented in the reception area of the coalition in the form of posters. A presentation list will be written and sent out to Advisory Board Members. Interested people of the Advisory Board will be trained and can then assist in doing presentations.

Next Meeting date is September 12th, 1994 at 5:30pm.

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- Adv. Board mtgs every 2 months
- steering committee will meet regularly - steering committee consist temporarily of: Kim, Horne, Graham, Brian & Deena.
- Irondale ensemble cultural show wants to preview their cultural show to the advisory board on Fri. July 15/94 at 3:30 pm
- review of the brochure deadline for July 15 for Adv. Board members.
- Deena and Pat are now developing the resource kit and training manual. They are going to various communities outside of Hfx Part Metro area to touch base and receive input into the training manual & resource kit.
- Deena will send out a list of upcoming presentation for the future for our info - she needs some assistance on some of these presentations.