

# WEST REGION ADVISORY COUNCIL



January 20, 2011

4:30-6:00 pm

Ella Grasso Center, 300 Armory Road, Stratford, CT

## Minutes

*In attendance: Mickey Herbst, Gil Kellersman, Lisa Schwab, Cindy Stramandinoli, Fritz Gorst*

*Absent: Alec Vlahos, Laurette Shrage*

*Excused: Arlene Steinfeld*

### **Regional Director Announcements**

The Regional Director told the Council that the Department has not had any additional requests for information for Governor Dannel Malloy for the biennium budget FY 2012-2013. The group discussed what was submitted in November 2010 which was submitted to the former Governor for the incoming administration. The information submitted in November included a 15% reduction to our budget.

### **New Administration**

The group discussed the new administration and appointees since the new Governor has been elected. Commissioner Peter H. O'Meara was asked to remain on during Governor Malloy's transition based on a press release dated December 28<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the press release was shared with the Council.

### **STS and Tony Records**

Mr. Tony Records, President of TRA Consulting, joined the meeting. He explained that he was selected to be coordinator at Southbury Training School (STS) for the STS Settlement Agreement that Judge Burns signed in August 2010. He shared what his role and involvement is and described how he will be working with one family and consumer at a time to discuss community placement.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm

Next meeting date: March 17, 2011