

**Greene County
OASAS Sub Committee
December 1, 2008**

Present: Susan Owens, Jane Doris, Rev. Anne Curtin, Cathy Start, Jackie Franks-Novine, Alan Frisbee, Barbara Palmateer

Review of Minutes: The minutes were reviewed and accepted with the following minimal changes:

- **TCRS is operating a substance abuse group specifically for senior citizens as they have seen a need for this service to be provided in our community.**
- **Jane reported that OASAS has notified them that they will be conducting stricter program audits. The residential program has already received an audit under the stricter guidelines.**

Rev. Anne Curtin voted to adopt the minutes with corrections and Jane seconded.

Twin County Update:

- Rick Vedder will be going to TCRS 3 days to give technical assistance in preparing for the stricter audits. This was already done at the residential programs.
- At this time, TCRS has not heard whether or not the MATS program will be discontinued, though the census is low. As NYS sets eligibility for participants, those they chose often don't want to participate. Transportation issues continue to be a problem for this program, as it is for ALL programs in Greene County.
- A new staff member was hired to replace a clinician who was promoted to the assistant director for the residential program.
- TCRS is collecting gifts for the residents of the Riverside Residence and The Red Door. Deb Weir, Director, have a donation site at: **Debs halfway houses at Amazon.com** to what the exact needs are. Men at the Red Door seem to be in more need than the women and children at Riverside, as people tend to be more sympathetic to the needs of women and children. Needed are books, journals, stationary, socks and underwear.

Committee Discussion:

- Anne C. will ask Sue Jones, from the rescue mission, to attend the committee meeting in order to discuss their services in the Capital District.
- Susie will find out how many subcommittee meeting are required each year.
- Susie will ask Joe to come to talk to the committee next year about the MICA program at MHACGC.
- The committee voted to cancel the meeting scheduled for the first Monday of January.

The next committee meeting will be held MONDAY February 2, 2009 at 3:00 pm at TCRS in Catskill.