Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Shawn Bediako called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting Notes

The November 18, 2008 committee meeting notes were reviewed and approved.

Old Business

Secretary’s Report - Expanding Comprehensive Services for Adults with Sickle Cell Disease

Final edits are being made to the report and it will be sent to Secretary Colmers by the end of the month.

New Business

Legislative Sickle Cell Awareness Day will be held on February 25, 2009 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The goal is to raise the consciousness of sickle cell disease and the needs
of sickle cell patients. Although this is not a steering committee function, participation is encouraged. For more information about the event contact Karen Produford, Anika Wilkerson, or Shawn Bediako.

Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month 2009

The committee unanimously agreed to organize one or more special events during Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month in September. Volunteers are asked to join this sub-committee to recommend possible activities that could be accomplished in a short span of time.

Next Meeting - Please Note Room Change

Committee members will be notified of the next meeting.