



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community March 17, 2008

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on March 17, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library Tempe Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections
Sharon Gilbert (for Randy Lazar), Tempe Union High School District
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Caterina Mena – Tempe Community Council

MEMBERS Absent:

Veronica Castillo, Chicanos Por La Causa
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Kim Costales, Tempe Elementary School District
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions
Grace Ku, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Trish Miller, Community Bridges
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools

City Staff Present:

Kathy Berzins, Community Services – Social Services
Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services

City Staff Absent:

Kim Bauman, Community Services - Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez Tempe Municipal Court

Guests Present:

Tricia Gilman

Meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Kathy Berzins called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from February 25, 2008 Meeting

The minutes from February 25, 2008 were reviewed.

MOTION: **Rebecca Bond** motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: **Sandra McNally** seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – All Stars Presentation

1) **Tricia Gilman, City of Tempe** provided an overview of the All Stars Program:

- All Stars is a science based substance abuse prevention program that has been grant funded over the past 8-9 years, currently by Magellan.
- It is intended to delay the onset of high-risk behaviors.
- The approach promotes participants strengths, and emphasizes “what to do” (vs. “what not to do”), pro-social bonding, and commitment to ‘ideal future’ goal setting.
- All Stars is promoted as a “leadership club”.
- Emphasizes parental involvement.
- 14 weekly sessions, pre-/post-tests, and graduation ceremonies.
- Interactive and experiential activities, with positive reinforcers.
- Currently provided at all TD3 Middle Schools – Connelly, Fees, Gililand and McKemy.
- 9/07 – 3/08: 157 first time participants, 22 (returning) “Boosters” participants, 98 parent contacts.

Agenda Item 4– Communities For Kids Update

1.) Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Agenda Item 5 – Grant and Program Updates

1.) **Kathy Berzins, City of Tempe** passed along information regarding a Magellan Capacity Building Grant – One Year Strategic Planning, due April 4, 2008. This information will be updated at the next meeting.

2.) **Tim Cox, City of Tempe** reported that a renewal grant was submitted March 14, 2008 to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission for the part-time Victim Advocate position for the CARE 7 Program.

Agenda Item 6 – Announcements

1.) **Kathy Berzins, City of Tempe** attended the Maricopa Association of Governments – Technical Committee Meeting where it was announced that tobacco funds will be released to fund the “First Things First” Project for programs addressing the needs of pre-school age children. Needs Assessments are to be completed by 9/1/2008; applications are due 1/1/2009, with funding to be implemented 7/1/2009.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- Presentation on STAND & SERVE Program.
- Environmental strategies to reduce underage drinking.
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee’s next meeting will be on **April 21, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Prepared by: Tim Cox (for Kim Bauman)

Kathy Berzins, Chair