Tempe

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

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on November 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:
Barb Fries, Tempe Elementary School District
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Mark Werschting, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections

MEMBERS Absent:
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Abraham Gonzalez, Chicanos Por La Causa
Trish Miller, Community Bridges
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions

City Staff Present:
Kim Bauman, Community Services – Social Services
Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez, Tempe Municipal Court

Guests Present:
Sharon Gilbert, Tempe Union High School District (attending for member Randy Lazar)
Joronda Montaño, Community Bridges (attending for member Trish Miller)
Torre Valentine, Community Bridges

Meeting convened at 9:34 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Tim Cox called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from October 20, 2008 Meeting
The minutes from October 20, 2008 were reviewed.
MOTION: Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.
SECOND: Lynette Stonefeld seconded the motion.
COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Data Sharing
Nancy Rodriguez provided an overview of Tempe Municipal Court juvenile filings for 2006, 2007 and January through October 2008.

1) Curfew violations accounted for the largest number of juvenile filings in 2006 followed by minor in possession/consumption of alcohol violations.
2) In 2007 minor in possession/consumption of alcohol violations accounted for the largest number of juvenile filings.
3) Curfew violations account for the largest number of juvenile filings between January and October 2008. It appears that juvenile filings will be lower this year then in 2006 and 2007.
4) Discussion occurred among members regarding the juvenile justice referral process and differences between Tempe Municipal Court, Maricopa County Juvenile Court, and Tempe Justice Court. Lynette Stonefeld asked if there was a flow chart detailing the referral process for each court. Members were unaware of an existing flow chart. Kim Bauman offered to develop a flow chart specific to Tempe referrals. Once developed Kim will forward it to Nancy Rodriguez, Tempe Municipal Court and Mark Wertsching, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department for feedback. The final flow chart will be provided to members at a future meeting.

Agenda Item 4– Know Your Beverage Presentation
Joronda Montaño, Community Bridges provided a presentation on nonalcoholic and alcoholic energy drinks.

1) Over 500 energy drinks hit the market in 2006. Red Bull accounts for 47% of the energy drink market. The central ingredient in these drinks is caffeine. 31% of 12-17 year olds report regular consumption of energy drinks.
2) Also on the market are energy drinks containing alcohol. Some of these are packaged similar to the nonalcoholic drinks. Many parents, teachers and other adults who work with youth are not aware that there are energy drinks containing alcohol. The brand confusion between nonalcoholic and alcoholic energy drinks can make it easier for underage youth to purchase and consume these drinks.

Agenda Item 5 – Communities for Kids Update
Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools reported that the Fall "Don't Wait To Educate" parenting series is almost completed at Nevitt, Holdeman and Arredondo schools. Forty parents will graduate from the program. Getz and Frank School will be two of the three Spring series sites. Lynette is seeking suggestions for a third program site.

Agenda Item 6 – Magellan Prevention Grant Update
Lynette Stonefeld provided the following update:

1) The first community planning meeting was held on November 3rd. Twenty-five community members participated in this meeting, including some individuals who sit on this committee. There are an additional nine to ten individuals who were unable to attend this first meeting who plan to participate in the remaining meetings.

2) This committee is the oversight body of the community planning committee and will be provided updates on the planning process.
3) Focus groups will be conducted with high school students beginning next week at the five TUHSD high schools located in Tempe.
4) Since most schools did not participate in the last Arizona Youth Survey, sections of the survey most relevant to our needs assessment on underage drinking will be made available as an on-line survey to Tempe youth.

Agenda Item 7 – Other Grant and Program Updates
There were no other grant and program updates.

Agenda Item 8 – Announcements
1) **Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools** announced their fundraiser will occur at the Arizona Mills mall on November 22nd. For $20 individuals will have hot chocolate, see Polar Express at the IMAX Theatre, meet Santa Claus and receive a sleigh bell.
2) **Sharon Gilbert, Tempe Union High School District** announced that the TUHSD Business Advisory Council recently sponsored a job fair which 371 students attended.
3) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced the annual Kiwanis pancake breakfast to encourage individuals to donate a tax credit to Tempe schools will take place on December 6th 8 a.m. to Noon at the Tempe Schools Credit Union.

Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items
- Child Protective Services Presentation
- Tempe Police Department data
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **December 15, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Kathy Berzins

Kathy Berzins, Chair