



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community August 10, 2010

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held August 10, 2010 at the Tempe Public Library Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Bobbie Cassano, Tempe Community Council
Lauren Johnson, Community Bridges
Barb Fries, Tempe Elementary School District
Kelley Lind, Cardon Children's Medical Center
Maria Holmes, Association for Supportive Childcare
Amanda Hamm, Kyrene School District
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Vicki Kringen, The Centers for Habilitation
Sean Donovan, Tempe Chamber of Commerce
Oscar Ramirez, Tempe Top Youth Leaders
Celeste Plumlee, Tempe Resident

MEMBERS Absent:

Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Club of the East Valley
Ilene Dode, Tempe Resident/EMPACT-SPC
Alan Anderson, Checkmate Chess Instruction
Norm Saba, Cardon Children's Medical Center
Ginae Klasek, Chicanos Por La Causa
Charmaine Trujillo, Mountain Park Health Center
Kim Bauman, Community Services – Social Services
Luis Morales, Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.
Chad Diegle, Desert Cross Lutheran Church

City Staff Present:

Roni Alexander, Community Services – Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez, Municipal Court
Fran Santos, Tempe Police Department
Tricia Andrews-Gilman, Community Services – Social Services

Guests Present:

Denise Lopez, Magellan Health Services
Sheran Mattson, Mattson Resource Development

Meeting convened at 4:03 p.m.

Agenda Item 1- Call Meeting to Order and Introductions

Bobbie Cassano called the meeting to order in the absence of Ilene Dode. Introductions were made and new members welcomed.

Agenda Item 2 - Minutes from May 11, 2010 Meeting

The minutes from May 11, 2010 were reviewed.

MOTION: Amanda Hamm motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Roni Alexander seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3- Town Hall Update

Randy Lazar provided an overview of the Tempe Town Hall targeting underage drinking in Tempe.

- 1) October 4th, 7:00-8:30 p.m. in Tempe City Council Chambers
- 2) Targeted to parents and community adults
- 3) Tables set up outside Council Chambers for organizations to provide information on positive youth activities
- 4) Highlights include:
 - Welcome by Mayor Hallman
 - Hope to have a media host serve as the moderator
 - Work of Tempe's Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking and Drug Use
 - Community Bridges presenting alcohol facts and use
 - Tempe Police to explain their experience with middle and high school use and laws for adults and minors
 - Not My Kid to include a young adult speaking of her teen alcohol experience and a parent who lost a child to alcohol use
 - High School Prevention Counselor to discuss what they see and recommend regarding underage alcohol use
 - Q & A
 - Evaluation to get adult perceptions of underage drinking
 - Call to action—what can the community and each family consider
- 5) Working with a local TV station to secure a host if possible
- 6) Communicate the idea that underage alcohol use is throughout the community, not limited to certain geographic areas or schools
- 7) Recommend each Coalition member contact ten people who may have an interest in attending. Flyers for the event are being finalized.
- 8) Will ask Coalition members to volunteer at the event to help direct attendees and work with the registration

Agenda Item 4 – Marketing Sub-Committee Update

Nancy Rodriguez gave an update on the Marketing Sub-Committee

- 1) Focus on the flyer for the Town Hall event and a Coalition brochure which will be used at the event and other opportunities which arise.
- 2) Discussed ways to market the Town Hall.
 - A press release for the school districts will be provided by the end of the week
 - Flyer should be ready by end of the week
 - Randy Lazar suggested putting flyers in middle and high school offices
 - Nancy suggested posting on the “City information” site
 - Amanda suggested sending flyers directly to parents on listservs if possible

Agenda Item 5-Subcommittees and Membership

Bobbie Cassano summarized the functions and focus of the three sub-committees: Marketing, Data and Public Policy. A sign-up sheet was passed around for members.

Agenda Item 6 – September Coalition Building Workshop

The September 14th meeting will be a Coalition building workshop. Sheran Mattson will facilitate the workshop which will be expanded to 3 hours.

- September 14, 2010
- The group voted on 3:00-6:00 pm
- Held in the Don Cassano Community Room at the Tempe Transit Center
- Parking available in the City Garage across the street at 5th & Forest

Agenda Item 7– Grant and Program Updates

Lynette Stonefeld reported that Communities In Schools received a First Things First Grant for almost ½ million which will include 8 resource centers providing parenting, nutrition, early literacy and family counseling to families with children 0-5. All services are free.

Agenda Item 8 – Communities for Kids Update

Lynette Stonefeld announced Communities for Kids will role into First Things First.

Agenda Item 9– Announcements

- 1) Lauren Johnson was selected as a delegate for a 2-year program through CADCA for young professionals working in the field of prevention
- 2) The Teen Resource Center opened today and already had over 30 students needing clothes and school supplies.
Donations are welcome.
- 3) It was announced that the TAPP program at the Tempe Union High School District can also use donations appropriate for the babies and young children of teen parents
- 4) Connecting with Kids also can use donations for its clothing and items for Tempe Elementary students
- 5) There will be a Cut-A-Thon this Saturday at Vanity Hair Salon on Mill Ave.

Agenda Item 10- Future Agenda Items

The following ideas were given for future presentations during our monthly meetings:

- Cardon Children’s Medical Center tour

- First Things First
- Marijuana
- Diversion and Programs for Minors In Possession and Minors In Consumption
- Tempe Diablos

It was noted that the Town Hall may also spark some additional ideas.

The committee's next meeting will be on **September 14, 2010 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. in the Don Cassano Community Room in the Tempe Transit Center.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Prepared by: Bobbie Cassano

Ilene Dode, Chair