



Minutes
Committee for Youth, Families and Community
Public Policy Sub-Committee
December 8, 2010

Minutes of the Public Policy Sub-Committee for Youth, Families and Community held December 8, 2010 at the Tempe Community Council Conference Room, 34 E. 7th Street, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Andrew Ching, City of Tempe, City Attorney
Ilene Dode, Coalition Chair
Vicki Kringen, The Centers for Habilitation
Fran Santos, Tempe Police Department
Brad Snyder, New Amsterdam Consulting
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe Community Council
Kevin Williams, ASU Police Department
Bobbie Cassano, Coalition Coordinator

MEMBERS Absent:

Kim Bauman, City of Tempe Social Services
Jay Spradling, ASU Police Department

Meeting convened at 2:05 p.m.

Agenda Item 1- Call Meeting to Order and Introductions

Bobbie Cassano called the meeting to order and welcomed all the members to the new committee. Each member introduced themselves.

Agenda Item 2- Purpose of the Public Policy / Social Host Committee

Bobbie Cassano explained the three sub-committees working as part of Tempe's Committee for Youth, Families and Community (CYFC). The primary focus of the Public Policy Committee under this year's strategic planning is to determine if a social host ordinance is appropriate for Tempe. This committee will consider how a social host ordinance might best be adapted to our city's needs in order to bring it forward to the City Council.

Agenda Item 3- Background and Information regarding the Coalition, Social Host ordinances and Current Tempe Ordinances.

Tempe's Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking and Drug Use falls under the CYFC. Though a keg registration was considered last year, it was later determined it could only take effect statewide and not be addressed on the local level. The purpose of a social host ordinance would be to better address the issue of the provider of alcohol to underage youth. **Fran Santos** reviewed with the committee current state law in this regard. She explained state statute is not widely applied because it is often hard to prove. We have no current local law specific to providing alcohol to underage youth. Fran did, however, pass out Tempe's large party/event ordinance which applies for gatherings of five people or more when a noise complaint has been made.

Discussion took place around eventually determining if a social host provision might best be applied as a modification to the current large party ordinance or should it stand alone.

Discussion also determined that our two biggest concerns involving the provider of alcohol to underage youth and changing social norms centers around:

- 1) the negative consequences of underage drinking
- 2) education to both adults and youth is the key to effective change

Agenda Item 4 – Additional Members for the Sub-Committee

It was suggested we may consider an ASU student in a leadership position (perhaps in the Greek system) and a possible graduate student doing research in the field as possible additions to the committee.

Agenda Item 5- Future Agenda Items and Committee Meeting Dates

Bobbie will send out several possible meeting dates and times for our next meeting to take place in mid-January. **Andrew Ching** and **Fran Santos** will take a look at the loud party ordinance and suggest some appropriate language as a starting point for the committee to work with for our next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Prepared by: Bobbie Cassano

Bobbie Cassano, Coalition Coordinator