



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community December 14, 2010

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held December 14, 2010 at the Tempe Public Library Board Room, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Bobbie Cassano, Tempe Community Council
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Ilene Dode, Tempe Resident/EMPACT-SPC
Norm Saba, Cardon Children's Medical Center
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Club of the East Valley
Vicki Kringen, The Center for Habilitation
Amanda Hamm, Kyrene School District
Lauren Johnson, Community Bridges
Sean Donovan, Tempe Chamber of Commerce
Renee Thomas, Mountain Park Health Center
Alan Anderson, Checkmate Chess Instruction

MEMBERS Absent:

Kelley Lind, Cardon Children's Medical Center
Celeste Plumlee, Tempe Resident
Maria Holmes, Association for Supportive Childcare
Sheran Mattson, Mattson Resource Development
Barb Fries, Tempe Elementary School District
Luis Morales, Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc

City Staff Present:

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

Guests Present:

Michael Valdez, Chicanos Por La Causa
Jimmy Gutierrez, Chicanos Por La Causa
Dick Kringen

Meeting convened at 4:03 p.m.

Agenda Item 1- Call Meeting to Order and Introductions

Ilene Dode called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 2 - Minutes from November 9, 2010 Meeting

The minutes from November 9, 2010 were reviewed.

MOTION: Sean Donovan motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Lynette Stonefeld seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Subcommittee Updates

- 1) **Nancy Rodriguez** provided an update on the Marketing Subcommittee.
 - Major coalition website updates are on hold until after the City installs Office 2010.
 - Two coalition purpose statements that can be used as an “elevator speech” have been developed. One is for the layperson and the other can be used on the website and in coalition brochures.
 - During the January meeting members will review the underage drinking town hall video for snippets that can be used for PSA’s. These PSA’s could be aired on Channel 11 and possibly in movie theatres.
 - **Lynette Stonefeld** suggested approaching EVIT’s video production department to create the PSA’s.
- 2) **Vickie Kringen** and **Bobbie Cassano** provided an update on the Public Police Subcommittee.
 - Social host ordinances and the City’s loud party ordinance were reviewed. Discussion included possibly modifying the loud party ordinance.
 - Discussion occurred on what a possible social host ordinance wants to accomplish, the need for education, and cultural differences and underage drinking.
 - Discussion occurred around possibly having a civil ordinance with a diversion program for violators with an educational component.
 - The meeting was very productive and a second meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

Agenda Item 4 – Adult Norms Survey Update

Bobbie Cassano notified members that 254 surveys were completed. She thanked coalition members for their efforts in getting community members to complete the survey. A summary of the results will be provided at our next meeting.

Agenda Item 5-Community Readiness Assessment Survey

- 1) **Bobbie Cassano** provided information on the upcoming Community Readiness Assessment (CRA) survey.
 - We have the month of January to get community leaders/members in specific sectors to complete the survey.
 - The CRA short version, which is seven pages, is available on-line and in hard copy.
 - In addition to completing the survey, members were asked to recruit 2- 4 representatives from specific sectors and email to Bobbie their contact information by January 1, 2011. Bobbie will then send the representative leads the survey.

Agenda Item 6 – Spice Update

- 1) **Randy Lazar** provided an update on Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD) and coalition efforts to address spice.

- The coalition webpage has been updated to include information on spice.
 - TUHSD has classified spice as a synthetic drug and the consequences are the same for students caught using or in possession of it as any other drug.
 - NPLB University recently provided a workshop on spice for parents.
 - Efforts are underway to look at addressing spice at the state level.
- 2) **Norm Saba** provided information to members on what the medical community is seeing with regard to spice.
 - Spice is typically smoked or ingested by users.
 - Spice has a much different toxicity level than marijuana and since there are no controls on how it is manufactured there are a wide range of reactions by users.
 - Emergency rooms are seeing users experiencing acute abdominal pain and seizures.
 - There is a need to educate youth on spice as they are told it is “safe,” although it is marketed as incense and as not intended for human consumption.
 - 3) **Bobbie Cassano** notified members that representatives from communities in the East Valley met on the issue of spice in early November and will meet again tomorrow. They have formed the East Valley Spice Coalition. In addition, Magellan Health Services provided a presentation on Spice at a recent Prevention Providers meeting.
 - 4) **Michael Valdez, Chicanos Por La Causa / Mano Coalition** notified members their coalition is seeing similar issues with spice in Phoenix. Their coalition is addressing underage drinking and marijuana use through a Drug Free Communities grant and has recently included spice in their prevention efforts.

Agenda Item 7 – Grant and Program Updates

Lynette Stonefeld announced the First Things First grant winter/spring calendar has been completed. There are numerous free classes for families with children ages zero to five years old beginning in January at eight locations. She will email out the calendar to members.

Agenda Item 8 – January Meeting Location and Time

Norm Saba provided the following information on our January meeting, which will be held at Cardon Children’s Medical Center.

- The meeting will be held in the Frog and Turtle Room on the 4th Floor.
- Two tours will be provided. One will begin at 3:15 p.m. and one will be held after the meeting at 5 p.m.
- Kim Bauman will send out a tour sign-up sheet and members will notify her of which tour they wish to take by January 5th.

Agenda Item 9 – Announcements

- 1) **Vic Cordts** announced the Tempe and Guadalupe Boys and Girls Clubs have received an OJJDP delinquency prevention grant. He requested some committee members who represent law enforcement and schools in the communities where the clubs are located complete a 10 question survey.
- 2) **Randy Lazar** reminded coalition members to send in their biographies.
- 3) **Kim Bauman** announced the City no longer has a recognition event or plaque for outgoing commission members. Members came up with suggestions on how to recognize Joe Spracale who recently resigned from the committee after numerous years of service.

Agenda Item 10 – Future Agenda Items

Please contact Kim Bauman or Bobbie Cassano with future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **January 11, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Cardon Children's Medical Center Frog and Turtle Room.

Meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Bobbie Cassano, Coalition Coordinator