



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community February 25, 2008

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on February 25, 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:

Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections
Veronica Castillo, Chicanos Por La Causa
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Trish Miller, Community Bridges
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions

MEMBERS Absent:

Kim Costales, Tempe Elementary School District
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Grace Ku, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District

City Staff Present:

Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services
Kim Bauman, Community Services - Social Services
Kathy Berzins, Community Services – Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez Tempe Municipal Court

Guests Present:

None

Meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.

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

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from January 28, 2008 Meeting

The minutes from January 28, 2008 were reviewed.

MOTION: Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Sandra McNally seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Participation in Needs Assessment Focus Group

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** provided a brief overview of the purpose of the focus group:
 - The City of Tempe is required to conduct a needs assessment on the topic of substance abuse for its Magellan Prevention grant. Qualitative data is required and one way to collect this data is through focus groups.
 - The needs assessment data collected will be shared with community partners providing services in Tempe and will also be used for the City's new Magellan grant application. The RFP has still not been released.
 - Magellan grant applicants will likely be required to implement an environmental strategy to reduce underage drinking, in addition to other strategies such as life skills. So the City is also seeking insight through its needs assessment on what environmental strategies would be most effective to implement.
- 2) **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in Schools** facilitated the focus group with committee members who are not directly receiving funding from the City's current Magellan prevention grant.

Agenda Item 4– Announcements

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced the selection of 2008 Courage Awards nominations will begin on February 27th and finalized on March 5th.
- 2) **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in Schools** announced the following:
 - She is completing an RFP for the 2008 America's Promise for Youth grant. If funded, "All Kids Covered" initiative would be implemented to ensure that kids eligible for Access are enrolled in the system.
 - The U.S. Department of Education grant application to reduce underage drinking has been completed and submitted.
- 3) **Trish Miller** distributed a press release on the Crystal Darkness media campaign. On April 15th from 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. nearly every network-affiliated and independent Arizona television station will simultaneously broadcast a documentary on the dangers of methamphetamine.
- 4) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced that the Joseph P. Spracale Commitment to Education Awards will be held at a dinner on March 29th at the Fiesta Inn. Tickets are \$60 per person. Three recipients will receive an award this year, including Senator Harry Mitchell.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items

- Presentation on ALL STARS and 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 **March 17, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Kathy Berzins, Chair