



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community February 23, 2009

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on February 23, 2009 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
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections

MEMBERS Absent:

Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Mark Werschtling, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Trish Miller, Community Bridges
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions

City Staff Present:

Kim Bauman, Community Services – Social Services
Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services

Guests Present:

Rindy Corn, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Elena Hernandez, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Samantha Rios, ASU Walter Cronkite School of Journalism

Meeting convened at 9:34 a.m.

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

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from January 26, 2009 Meeting

The minutes from January 26, 2009 were reviewed.

MOTION: Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Rebecca Bond seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Tempe Police Department Data

Brandon Banks, Tempe Police Department is ill and was unable to attend this meeting. This topic will be tabled until the March meeting.

Agenda Item 4 – Communities for Kids Update

Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools (CIS) provided the following update:

- 1) The Don't Wait To Educate series will be held at Wood Elementary School in English and at Aguilar Elementary School in Spanish. The series will also be provided at Compadre High School to teen parents. The curriculum is being redesigned to specifically meet the needs of these teen parents.
- 2) The "First Things First" RFP should be out any time. The regional partnership, which includes Tempe, wants to partner with East Valley agencies to specifically provide parent education and home visitations for one year to newborns of Tempe families identified as high risk. They are also looking to partner with East Valley Resource Center to provide specific topic workshops, such as parents in prison.

Agenda Item 5 – Magellan Prevention Grant Update

Kim Bauman, City of Tempe, Lynette Stonefeld Communities in Schools, and Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation provided the following update:

- 1) The City of Tempe just had their Magellan audit and it was successful.
- 2) Four planning meetings have been held and information has been provided to the participants. Attendance has been strong. Members must now focus on developing a strategic plan in the remaining two sessions.
- 3) We hope to have interested planning committee members, who are not already a part of this committee, join this committee after the sixth session. The meeting time and date would likely need to be changed to better meet the needs of participants.

Agenda Item 6 – Other Grant and Program Updates

- 1) **Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District** reported the district is applying for a Safe Schools/Healthy Students Grant through the U.S. Department of Education. They are proposing a comprehensive set of services to be provided in the schools and community. These services include sustaining the school resource officers, broadening the school based counseling services, and working with parents of preschool aged children. The grant application is due in early March and if awarded the district could receive up to \$1.5 million per year each year of the grant.
- 2) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** reported that the Empowering Parents and Teens workshop series will begin Thursday evening. The Juvenile Probation Department has been referring youth and parents to the program.
- 3) **Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections** reported they have received a grant for an intergenerational veteran's history project, which includes funding a part time coordinator position.
- 4) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced Experience Corps has received a grant through the Pasqua Yaqui Indian tribe which will assist in sustaining the Experience Corps program.

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- 5) **Tim Cox, City of Tempe** announced CARE 7 has received a Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) grant to sustain their part-time bilingual Spanish speaking victim advocate. They will also be applying for a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant to sustain their full-time English speaking victim advocate. In addition, Tim is applying to the Gila River Tribe in hopes of receiving funding to expand the number of hours the school based counselors are at the TUHSD high schools.

Agenda Item 7 – Announcements

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced the 2009 YouthFest Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition Dinner will be held on April 13th at The Buttes. Invitations will be sent out next week and the dinner is \$33 per person.
- 2) **Joe Spracale Tempe Impact Education (TIE) Foundation** announced that Lynette Stonefeld has received the first annual recognition award from TIE Foundation's Connecting Kid's Group for her outstanding efforts in our schools and community.
- 3) **Lynette Stonefeld, CIS** announced that a Family Resource Fair will be held this Thursday at Thew School. It is sponsored by Child Protective Services.
- 4) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced that Community Bridges is scheduling presentations of "Know Your Beverage." Interested groups should contact Trish Miller at 480-831-7566 ext. 205.
- 5) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced the TIE Foundation's Preschool Fund Raiser will be held on Friday, February 27th at the Shalimar Country Club. Tickets are \$30 per person.
- 6) **Lynette Stonfeld, CIS** announced her organization is presenting a new award to a principal in the TUHSD, TESD or Kyrene School District who goes beyond every day responsibilities to help families and kids. The Principal of the Year award will be presented at Community In Schools' annual breakfast, which will be held on Friday, April 25th.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Agenda Items

- Mary Ann Dillon – "Ready To Learn"
- Tempe Police Department Data
- TUHSD Drug & Alcohol Related Trends
- 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 16, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Kathy Berzins, Chair