

Youth First Executive Committee meeting minutes

April 19, 2006

In attendance were: Cynthia Soares, Jinny Valle, Jack Slota, Lee Funk, Maggie Hepworth, Gary Keller, Clark Redfield

- Evaluate Youth Event/Gang Education
 - Youth Event very positive
 - Clark got great feedback from the kids
 - Has tapped a couple of kids on the shoulder already about co-chairing
 - Gang forum, nice starting point, Clark thinks what parents want is what to do, more focus on that. Perhaps roll playing and scenarios for the next step.
 - Cynthia: tie into assets etc
- Strongest Link
 - Need an article or two
 - Going to HS a.s.a.p.
 - Still need Biggs info (Lee filled some dates in at this meeting)
 - Hope to go to printer by May 1
 - Translation is part of the hold up
- Landlord Training
 - No progress at this time. Going to need to re-evaluate
 - Ten people last time, down from 25
 - What happens when there is a meth lab in your unit was last topic
 - Not wanted during summer anyway
 - Problem landlords not the ones in attendance
- Cesar Chavez Mural
 - Joan Brock has backed out
 - Cynthia no longer sure
 - Jinny, Clark, Jack, Maggie in favor pro
 - Ask about Viva La Raza? Clark will call Nikki, Pedro, and Jesse.
 - Jack motion to continue, Clark second, all in favored yes
- We need Hispanic representation on this committee
 - Cynthia will make contact with Grace and is willing to go talk to the Catholic Priest about involvement
 - Clark will go if available
- Partnership with fiscal agent
 - Cynthia asked BGMH foundation to be our fiscal agent
 - Suggested GUARDIAN
 - Then talk to Jim Suver and Kristin Piazza
 - Meanwhile, GUARDIAN voted to be YF fiscal agent
 - BGMH said we would need to get approval from their board to do anything
 - Jim Suver agreed to sit on YF Executive Committee and do all the paperwork for YF to be non-profit

- Hospital would like to be a partner for grant writing and be the fiscal clearing house for specific grants
 - Jack expressed concern that there are legal details involved with being your non-profit and feels that this makes it beneficial to be under the wing of another organization
 - Maggie, problem with GUARDIAN is a Gridley only organization
 - Gary doesn't like the logistics of having to separate fiscal agents (BGMHF and GUARDIAN)
 - Clark feels we lose our separate identity based on the leadership of GUARDIAN
 - BGHM concerned about mural and Pink Ladies
 - Maggie offered to talk to Pink Ladies
 - Hospital also may get grief because of their own financial problems.
 - Clark feels if we forget the details of being a non-profit, then we "don't need to exist"
 - Lee motions that we ask Jim Suver to help us incorporate as our own 501c3. Clark second. All in favor.
- Official process for action
 - Does Cynthia have the authority to endorse ads or make other actions?
 - What about spending money?
 - Jinny suggest that Cynthia get email votes from the board in between meetings for action and can move with majority approval. Cynthia should print emails.
 - Jinny motions, Clark seconds, all in favor
- Loui R. Cappelli Grant
 - BGHM will be our fiscal agent to apply for the grant
 - Two ideas, after-school Housing Authority program
 - Base-line data survey
 - Lee things a survey is a great idea, lets move forward
 - Cynthia will do the grant
 - Due June 30
 - Cynthia will get more information on these surveys
 - Maggie volunteered to look at surveys and make a decision about what survey to use
 - See if Gridley Education Foundation will submit the Housing Authority grant, Cynthia will write
- Cynthia motions that #9, Gary second, all in favor
- Lead with Assets – fully funded, meets our needs, already planned
 - To be the Youth retreat this summer, leading up to the summit
 - Need a date and place and time by May 4
 - Cynthia will get 5 choices of dates
 - Clark motions that we move on this and Cynthia go to Caldwell for money, Maggie second, motion carries
- #11 moved to next meeting
- Vision team meeting will be figured out with Clark and Cynthia

- Clark says we need letters and make particular contact for this meeting
 - Cynthia will email a time about time and date to create letter together based on existing list
- Budget
 - Clark expressed concern about the way money is subtracted, specifically the survey
 - Also needs to be presented to Biggs
 - Clark says take off minus other funding, and come up with a formula of what you are going to ask for from the two cities.
 - $\frac{3}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ suggested
 - Cynthia asks for anyone to come with her for presentation, Lee volunteer for Biggs presentation, Jack will be at Gridley presentation.
- Information on agenda presented by Cynthia
- Jim Conway, not available on the date we wanted.