



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community November 19, 2007

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on November 19, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library Tempe Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation
Kim Costales, Tempe Elementary School District
Trish Miller, Community Bridges
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions

MEMBERS Absent:

Laura Hanish, ASU - Department of Family and Human Development
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Veronica Castillo, Chicanos Por La Causa
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Jan Pagoria, ASU - College of Liberal Arts & Sciences - CLASWORKS
Grace Ku, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department

City Staff Present:

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

Guests Present:

Elena Hernandez, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Susan Voirol, Tempe Union High School District (for Randy Lazar)
Tina Liu, Child Protective Services

Meeting convened at 9:30 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Judy Tapscott called the meeting to order. She introduced Kathy Berzins who will be replacing her as the Deputy Community Services Manager-Social Services and will chair this committee.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from October 15, 2007 Meeting

The minutes from October 15, 2007 were reviewed.

MOTION: Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Trish Miller seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Tempe Youth Trends

Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools provided a PowerPoint presentation on websites that have youth data:

- 1) Census data can be accessed at www.census.gov and includes population demographics, household living arrangements and household income.
 - The American FactFinder link is where to look for data.
 - The American Community Survey provides more current data as it is completed yearly with sample populations.
 - Census data also provides population projections.
- 2) Juvenile Crime data can be accessed at <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/ojstatbb/> and includes crimes committed by juveniles and youth as victims in its Juvenile Court Statistics Databook and Statistical Briefing Book.
- 3) Risk Factor Data can be found at the Center for Disease Control at www.cdc.gov/healthy-youth.yrbs under the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System and includes unintentional injuries and violence, tobacco use, alcohol and other drug use, and sexual behaviors. The Annie E. Casey Foundation Kids Count website at www.aecf.org provides state level data on over 100 measures of child wellbeing.
- 4) Arizona sources of data include:
 - Department of Health Services at www.azdhs.gov/plan/report/ahs includes annual data on pregnancies by pregnancy outcome, causes of death, sexually transmitted diseases, hospital discharges and emergency room visits, marriage rates and dissolutions of marriage.
 - Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Youth Survey at www.azcjc.gov/sac/AYS.asp includes information on community, school, family and individual risk and protective factors, substance abuse, antisocial behavior and depression.
 - Department of Public Safety at www.azdps.gov/crimereport/default.asp includes annual data by county on the cost of property crimes, arrests by male/female and hate crimes data.
 - Department of Education at www.ade.az.gov includes annual data on school report cards, free and reduced lunch, dropout data, and school incidence reports.

Agenda Item 4 –Communities for Kids

Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities for Kids provided the following update:

- 1) The Don't Wait to Educate series at Nevitt Elementary School was very successful. Fifteen families completed the Spanish speaking series and program evaluations indicated parents learned how to get their children prepared for school. Kelly Straw is returning to graduate school so Lynette is looking for someone to replace her as the coordinator of this program.

Agenda Item 5 – Grant and Program Updates

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced that the City of Tempe will need to conduct a needs assessment that includes qualitative data as part of its Magellan Prevention grant. Focus groups and public forums are two ways to collect qualitative data and this committee has conducted these in the past. Since other members of this committee also have to complete the needs assessment Kim suggested that this committee conduct some focus groups. The collected data could also be shared with the school districts and other organizations providing services in Tempe.

MOTION: **Kim Bauman** motioned that Tempe's Committee for Youth, Families and Community conduct focus groups and public forums to gain information on needs and resources in Tempe.

SECOND: **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in School** seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: The motion was approved.

Agenda Item 6– Announcements

- 1) **Tina Liu, Child Protective Services (CPS)** announced CPS will be holding a Tempe Community Family to Family Strategy meeting on November 29th. Following that meeting will be a Community Partner Training on December 4th where community members can be trained to become community representatives on Family to Family Team Decision Making. The training will also provide information on how CPS operates and its restrictions. The goal is to have strong community involvement and support with CPS families. CPS is also becoming more involved with the community by meeting with apartment managers who have the highest number of CPS referrals in their community.
- 2) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced that the "Flippin for Education" Pancake Breakfast will be held at the Tempe Schools Credit Union on December 1st from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The community-wide event encourages participants to donate up to \$400 in tax credits to Tempe schools. Joe distributed tickets to committee members. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$2.00.
- 3) **Trish Miller, Community Bridges** announced they are providing a presentation on methamphetamine. If committee members are interested this presentation can be provided at a future meeting.
- 4) **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in Schools** announced she is in the process of recruiting teens for the Production Team/Steering Committee for the 2008 Tempe Youth Showcase. Applications can be accessed on-line at <http://www.tempe.gov/tcc/>. The Tempe Youth Showcase will be held at the Tempe Center for the Arts on April 12th from 1-3 p.m.
- 5) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced that the Corona Key Club sponsored by the Tempe Kiwanis is in need of a service project. Lynette Stonefeld mentioned there is a need for a baby food drive for teen parents.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- Methamphetamine presentation
- Focus groups
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **December 17, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

Tim Cox for Judy Tapscott, Outgoing Chair