



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: February 14, 2007, 5:00 pm

Location: American Legion, Kent, WA

Board members present:

Non-Fiduciary	Clem Benton	Kristin Gauthier	Karin Schuyleman
	Kerry Annette Wade	Margie Staulcup	Betty Nomura
	DeDe White		
Fiduciary	Cathy Williams	C.C. Scott	Don Lincoln
	Vyrn Muir		

Board members excused: Kim Bennett

Guests present: Diane Muir, Potential New Board Member
Jean Hueston, Board Almunist

Staff members present: Dianne Heide

Call to order – Chair Clem Benton called the meeting to order at 5:05

Quorum – There was a quorum.

Agenda – Approved as written.

Approval of November 8 Minutes

Motion 1 Margie moved **to approve the November 8 minutes as written.** Second by Betty.
The motion passed.

Film – Leadership and the Art of Possibility

The film came from the Family Policy Council and was intended to help the Board build a deeper understanding of our function. As the “conductors” in our community, Community Networks do not play any actual music but orchestrate conversations in the community to bring others together. Through this work we can meld the talents of the members of the community to “create a beautiful symphony.” The film was intended to help the SKCCN Board build enthusiasm and become GREAT conductors. Some of the questions raised included: How can we give everyone an “A”? What do we want to have happen in our discussions? What are we heading for? The film also reminds us of the power of RULE #6 which says: Don’t take yourself so seriously! There are no other rules.

2003-05 Exceptional Results Awards

Clem informed the Board that the SKCCN has received an Exceptional Results Award for their work in 2003-05. They group received a beautiful engraved box and each Board member received a lovely pen from the Family Policy Council. In addition, a financial award of \$12,000 has been added to the SKCCN budget.

Startup Funding Update

Dianne reported that getting the Startup projects started has been a little slower than anticipated. Contracts are still in the works and staff is waiting for needed contact information etc. before finalizing them. Work is started however and at least one project has met with the consultant, Barb Gurley, to work on outcomes. Denese will make a more complete report when she returns.

Final 2005-07 Budget Proposal

The Board was provided with a budget status memo from Treasurer, Margie Staulcup, and Dianne. They reviewed the budget figures through January and informed the Board that there was \$18,732.08 in the budget that

could be used for new efforts. This money was money in current line items that would not be spent, money that had never been committed and \$12,000 in Exceptional Results Awards from our work in 2003-05. Several suggestions were made for using the money. The included:

Technical Assistance Support for Mourning Women's Services	\$ 1,000.00
Office Assistant for remaining 12 weeks of biennium	2,500.00
Training in St. Paul on Accountability Auditing	6,300.00
Training in South King County by Dr. Chamberlain and Dr. Anda	6,500.00
Total Suggested Ideas	\$ 16,300.00

The figure would leave \$2,432 in uncommitted funds but Dianne felt this was Ok since some of the suggested purchases may cost more than expected and any left can be used for strategic planning purposes.

The Board was supportive of each idea but had several concerns about the proposed Safety Accountability Auditing training. First, if the SKCCN is to spend this large amount of money to send folks to this training do we have any guarantee that the SKCCN will receive the benefit of that education? If only one staff member is to be sent, which one would be sent? Since there was no contract in place for 2007-09, did the SKCCN have assurance that the staff member sent would be committed to the SKCCN in 2007-09? How would the community member be chosen? Dianne answered on behalf of both staff members that both staffers were in agreement that Denese should be the one chosen to attend this training. In addition, Dianne assured the Board that Denese was committed to the SKCCN and would be with the Board in 2007-09 if a contract was offered. C.C. and Betty reported that Denese had a community candidate in mind for the training but neither knew the details. The Board made it clear that some sort of MOU would be expected with the community member sent or the organization they represent about a commitment to completion of the project.

The other Board concern was about capacity – does the SKCCN have the capacity to take on both a community response to Adverse Childhood Experiences and a comprehensive study of certification of perpetrator treatment providers? Dianne responded with a resounding YES. She felt that the Board had two staff members with diverse skills – Denese could handle the study of treatment providers in her sleep and, because of the great Communications Committee she is blessed to work with, Dianne could do the work of “targeting” the right folks to respond to the ACE’s study.

Most importantly both of these efforts would lead the SKCCN into the arena of policy recommendations that the FPC is trying to get Community Networks to enter. It is incredible that providers are being credentialed just by sending in paperwork and that there is no investigation! The information from the ACE’s study is amazing but the problem is figuring out what to do with it at the community level. As we investigate these issues we will be framing policy that can make a true difference in South King County.

Some members of the Board were not aware of the ACE’s study. Vyrn and Dianne will create a 5-10 minute presentation about ACE’s for next meeting.

Looking over the paperwork Dianne noticed that the Finance memo asked for \$6,300 for the training and the memo from Denese asked for \$7,000. Dianne suggested approving the higher figure but recognize that staff would be frugal and try to keep to the lower figure.

Motion 2 Margie moved to approve the package as presented with a budget of \$17,000. Second by Betty. The motion passed.

Committee and Staff Reports

All reports were provided in writing.

Meeting adjourned – 7:05

Minutes Approved:

Signed

Date