



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: September 13, 2006, 5:00 pm

Location: American Legion, Kent, WA

Board members present:

Non-Fiduciary	Clem Benton	Kim Benett	Karin Schuyleman
	Kerry Annette Wade	Margie Staulcup	Betty Nomura
	DeDe White		
Fiduciary	Cathy Williams	C. C. Scott	Vyrn Muir

Board members excused: Sonia Foss
Asosa Sailiai
Cynthia Chandler
Don Lincoln
Florenda Wyatt

Guests present: Jean Hueston, Board Alumnist
Marie Peacock-Albers, Public Health Nurse – Board prospect

Staff members present: Dianne Heide
Denese Bohanna

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

Quorum – There was a quorum.

Agenda – Approved with one addition.

Approval of August 9 Minutes

Motion 1 Karin moved to approve the August 9 minutes as written. Second by Betty.
The motion passed.

2005-07 Budget Update Approval

Margie and Dianne presented the Board with an updated budget for 2005-07. Dianne explained the thinking behind the changes made.

The Administrative budget was increased to the maximum allowed so that some of the items that were in the Communications Service Report that the Family Policy Council rejected could be handled. This included postage, misc. printing, and some copy expenses. The majority of the mileage budget was also shifted from other Service Reports to Administrative in an effort to make accounting easier. The new Administrative budget also allowed for the purchase of a new computer for Denese and some food for Board meetings.

Other Service Reports were amended to include the additional staff time approved by the Board. The majority of that expense was added to the Direct Service/Startups Service Report. The remainder was spread to the Collaborations/Partnerships and Targeted Audiences to cover some of the additional staff time required for Walk-A-Thon and other efforts.

The Uncommitted Funds budget contains the \$6000 earmarked for a Federal Way project and \$2400 for an emerging opportunity.

Motion 2 Margie moved to approve the updated 2005-07 budget as presented. Second by Cathy. The motion passed.

Quarterly Meeting with Laura Porter and Trudy Arnold of the Family Policy Council

Clem and Betty reported on the August meeting with FPC lead staff members. The group discussed the difficulties of having a large service area. It is often necessary to look at the work we do in small pieces instead of looking at the region as a whole such as doing a Review in Federal Way and now in Tukwila. Where is the balance and are we working to make changes incrementally city by city or a regional transformation?

Another item of concern discussed was the perception that expectations for Community Networks have changed. The original vision was to provide for change from the local sector to Olympia and it seems that now Community Networks are hearing more and more about implementing strategies that are decided by Olympia.

Laura and Trudy agreed that visions were shifting and it was becoming a balance question for everyone. The FPC is, on the whole, happy with the work being done in South King County's Review and felt we are going in the right direction. However, they are waiting for the final Community Recommendations before they can be sure that we are headed for a successful outcome.

In addition, Laura was asked what was expected of the King County Networks Alliance. The King County group was informed two years ago that the Alliance was a requirement and not an option. Regular meetings did not work well for this group and a common focus was never found so it has now quit meeting. Concern was raised that this would cause the SKCCN and the other King County Networks problems with funding in future. Laura reported that for the time being there is no requirement for the Alliance to continue.

The SKCCN Puzzle – Does everyone see how the pieces will come together in the end?

Clem talked to the Board about the many efforts each member is helping to build and how those efforts were all going to come together in the end to create a body of work that will show progress. One example is the Targeted Audiences School piece. At the moment that effort is resting with the Communications Committee where they are trying to convene interested school representatives to discuss how each system is responding to students exposed, what possible supports or changes are needed, recommendations for policy options and a January training. At some point this effort will shift into the area of the PRP Committee to discuss which policy recommendations the Board will want to recommend for adoption and how to successfully get those ideas put into practice. The Review group is also working with folks from the Federal Way Public Schools which will result in additional options for discussion. The end result will include the expertise of each Board member.

The Board liked this vision and understood that everyone would eventually be involved in the many pieces to the final puzzle.

Walk-A-Thon

Kerry reported that things were moving along very well. Permits have been approved, calls are coming into the office regularly and Ken Schram has agreed to act as our Emcee for the day. One snag is a sponsorship offer from Lovers Package. Some folks consider Lovers Package to sell porn and others think it is a great opportunity to get them involved in the fight against domestic violence. It was decided to table discussions with Lovers Package until after the Walk-A-Thon and then see what could be put together for next year.

All Board members were asked to volunteer if possible. Dianne explained the many jobs that the group needed help with and several Board members offered assistance.

Calendar Update – What’s Coming and When?

Dianne and Denese wanted to be sure that all Board members got the many coming events into their calendars.

- Sept. 26-28 – Family Policy Council Retreat in Ocean Park – a few spots were still open.
- Oct. 3 – Safe N Bright Futures pilot project providers will meet at the Kent Library at 10:00 am.
- Oct. 26 – King County Coalition Against DV Take Action Awards Event
- Nov. 4 – SKCCN will host healthcare providers for training
- Nov. 14 – Children’s DV Conference at the University of Washington
- Nov. 13-14 – Governor’s Early Childhood Summit in Seattle
- Nov. 15 – SKCCN will host sessions with Katreena Scott
- Nov. 29-Dec.1 – Family Policy Council Summit in Vancouver, Washington

Board members were asked to check with Dianne or Denese if they were interested in attending any of these events.

Committee and Staff Reports

All reports were provided in writing.

PRP Committee – The Committee work is paralleling the Communications & Training Committee (C&T) work with schools through additional research and surveys with administrative leaders.

C&T Committee – Focusing on Walk-A-Thon and the healthcare training. Dr. Linda Chamberlain from the Alaska Family Violence Prevention Project has agreed to be the main trainer for the Nov. 4 session.

Finance – The Committee needs an additional member in order to be a legal committee as per SKCCNA Bylaws. They are gearing up for an SKCCNA Fundraiser and are discussing an auction or raffle.

Subtle Messages

Vyrn shared some thoughts with the Board about how we can do our work in very subtle ways. For instance the cafeteria staff at MultiCare is not allowed to accept tips. So they instead put out a collection jar and take money for local causes. One of those causes is support for the Covington DV Task Force. He encouraged Board members to look for other ways to support our causes.

Meeting adjourned – 7:03

Minutes Approved:

Signed

Date