

Lake County After School Coalition Meeting
September 28, 2009

Attendance:

Judy Armstrong, Beth Carlson, Shirley Christian, Lisa Daniels, Carolina Duque, Jeff Fougrouse, Pat Garrity, Bruce Johnson, Susie Kuruvilla, Peggy Miller, Kevin Nylon, Margaret Resnick, Chief Ray Rose, Rep. Carol Sente, Marie Van Ham

Welcome and Introductions:

Judy Armstrong was introduced as the new co-President of the After School Coalition. Judy will share the position with Chief Rose, as Kathy Ryg has due to other commitments. Rep. Carol Sente was introduced. She has been appointed by Sen. Terry Link to fulfill the remainder of Kathy Ryg's term as state representative. Rep Sente remarked that she is pleased to be part of the coalition and looks forward to working with everyone.

Treasurer's Report:

Susie Kuruvilla reported that there were no changes for the previous report.

Committee Reports

1. Sustainability Committee:

Judy Armstrong reported that the committee has met twice. They are trying to address the main concerns of sustainability planning, especially regarding Northern Illinois Collaboration (NIC) funding, focus on current status, possibilities and next steps for the Coalition. Summary of meeting notes are attached. Pat Garrity discussed looking at the goals and objectives. We need to look at which ones to keep and what to drop or change. The committee prepared a worksheet that lists the current goals and objectives. The committee asks that each member look at them and decide whether to keep, drop, or change; and if so, ideas on how to modify the goal. Chief Rose will have the document sent out electronically so we can be prepared to discuss this at the next meeting. We also need to continue to look at other funding possibilities. The next meeting will be October 15th at Something's Brewing.

2. Communication Report- No report... Jennifer Tempest-Bova and George Krasnopolsky were not present.

3. NIC – Chief Rose stated they would like to meet with NIC partners. They are trying to set up meeting with Allstate. Hewitt took the lead in this project, but economy has taken an effect on all partners.

4. Underage Drinking Prevention Task Force – The Task Force is evaluating goals and to which direction they would like to move next. The Social Hosting Ordinance continues to move forward in more Lake County communities. Seventeen municipalities have now passed the new ordinance. The Legislative

committee is working with the County Board to have the ordinance passed county wide. Chief Rose asked Rep Sente to follow through with efforts to get the ordinance adopted state wide. Compliance checks continue for Homecoming and Thanksgiving are being planned. All municipalities are asked to participate and report violations. .

5. **Illinois Strategic Framework** – This is the third year of the grant. The Stand Up Committee is looking to create programs for replication across the state. Lisa Daniels attended the IDHS SPF-SIG state meeting with Karen Smith and Linda DeBoldt from Mundelein HS. Linda DeBoldt presented the newly developed student packet which focuses on intervention with a health focus rather than a disciplinary focus. Karen is setting up meetings with the faith communities to include them in the programs.
6. **Character Matters:** No report. Ashley should be back next month.
7. **Youth Summit:** Pat Garrity reported they are getting updates from the survey that was sent to participants asking them to outline what the schools have done since the summit. We need to look at what we want to do with this event through the strategic planning process. The Youth Committee worked closely with the kids involved to get their input on speakers, theme and activities. Challenges to get kids from all across the county to participate in planning due to time and transportation issues. Chief Rose suggested that we meet with the superintendents and principals to present what we do and seek buy in from them. Gary Pickens noted that every high school in the county has viable Service Learning Programs. This could be an opportunity to develop programs for middle schools. This is the kind of thing that superintendents like to see done.

Judy Armstrong suggested if we didn't do something as big as the Youth Summit, to do some kind of event that showcased what the students did. She would hate to see a whole year go by without some kind of Youth Event. Pat Garrity suggested that the LCHD does the "Real Deal", a reality based exercise that has been very successful in the past with students. It is very energizing and we can solicit the involvement of community members such as business, park districts, and schools. Participants are given a life scenario that depicts their circumstances. From that point, they must get housing, jobs, education, childcare, etc. Possibility to have it the week before Thanksgiving. Gary stated that he has the names and addresses of the 200 recipients of the Character Matters awards, which covers schools from across the county. We could invite those students to participate in the program.

Announcements:

Monday October 26, 2009 5-7:30 pm. - Round Lake Beach Cultural and Civic Center. 2007 Civic Center Way, Round Lake Beach, IL 60073.

6th Annual Chili Supper honoring programs that help build character in youth and families sponsored by Round Lake Area B.E.S.T (Bringing Everyone's Strengths Together) , Round Lake Exchange Club, Character Counts and Round lake Area District 116. Performances from students in all public and private schools of the Round Lake Area are highlights of the evening, along with the Pizza Place's World Famous Chili with all the fixing's.

Next Meeting:

October 26, 2009 8:30 a.m. Mundelein Police Department

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Miller
Co-Secretary