

Afterschool Coalition of Indianapolis
General Meeting
May 20, 2008
United Way Building

Attendees: David Klinkose, Eric Williams, Mashariki Jywanza, Julia Conner-Fox, Sara Beanblossom, Shalom Black, Gary Pellico, Judy Frapps, Tim Fretz, Maureen Gray, Jeanine Coleman, Jeff Jones, Carmen Rodriguez, Janice Hinds-Slaughter, Kim Black, Melanie Priest, Rodney Anderson

Welcome Remarks and Introductions- President Tim Fretz

- Tim welcomed everyone to the meeting
- Thank you for a great year serving as president

Election of Officers- Gary Pellico

(Motion to approve: Maureen Grey 1st, Julia Conner-Fox 2nd
Coalition approved officers)

PRESIDENT- David Klinkose

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT- Judy Fraps

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT- Eric Williams

SECRETARY/TREASURER- Janice Hicks Slaughter

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

BUSINESS- Gary Pellico

MEDIA- Sara Beanblossom, Jamie Johnson

TRAINING/STANDARDS/EVALUATION- Maureen Grey, Jeanine Coleman

EVENTS- Joenne Pope, Kim Black

Committee Reports

Business Committee- David Klinkose

- Requested info about collecting dues from national chapters, reviewing this with Gary and the business committee

Events & Media Committee- Joenne Pope & Sara Beanblossom

- Afterschool Awareness Week (April 29th & 30th) - purpose to create an awareness of success and programs of Indy afterschool programs
- This was another step beyond Lights On – to invite leaders to see kids and programs
- Planning meeting was held with the sites that participated
 - School on Wheels
 - AYS
 - Indy Parks
 - Boys and Girls Club
- In future, committee needs help to encourage community leaders & media to attend – make phone calls to these folks (council members, community leaders, etc...)
- Thank you to all for assistance & participation!
- More of the take away bookmarks are available by request from Sara (file attached)

Training and Standards- Judy Fraps

- Now looking at quality standards for programs (for upcoming year)

- Also building up the training log for afterschool sites
- There were peer evaluations completed in Washington Twp & AYS- looking at structure and safety- thank you to those who participated
- Please contact Judy for these forms and more information at – 8550 Woodfield Crossing Blvd, Indianapolis 46240 or jfraps@msdwt.k12.in.us or 205-3332 x 185
- David has additional resources on evaluation & credentialing upon request
- Also visit American Humanics for more info on non-profit management/youth development organization (they are holding their national conference in Indy in the next year)

Website- David Klinkose

- Joenne is now able to access and update the website
- Website will be moved out of the city website- David is looking for a new location

Indiana Afterschool Network- David Klinkose

- David is now the President of this organization and is traveling the state to promote the afterschool movement
- 3 basic areas-
 - promo of afterschool- recognize the need
 - find resources for sustainability
 - applying/enabling good standards to afterschool

Other Business

- Congressional Visit for Afterschool – May 13-14 – in DC
 - Six people from Indiana attended
 - Judy talked about the discussions with the national legislators from Indiana about the afterschool network and briefings on afterschool funding
 - Jeanine Coleman and a student winner and their parent from IPS attended. The student won a contest in the IPS middle schools by writing an essay about why afterschool is important to them. The student and parent went with Jeanine to talk to the leaders. Jeanine attended a session about engaging high school students. One successful program in high school is debate.
 - David noted the importance of creating strong models for afterschool programs
 - Rep Donnelly was excited about afterschool – he is a member of the afterschool caucus in the senate
 - It would be good for more from Indiana to attend- visit Afterschool Alliance .org website for more information on next years event.
- Boost Conference (Best Out of School Time Conference) – Palm Springs
 - Shalom Black & Judy Frapps attended
 - Focused on afterschool and summer programs
 - Incorporated a lot of arts activities- there was a presentation by “Crew” – middle and high school students
 - Presenter Jonathan Mooney- author with ADD and dyslexia – overcame his disabilities
 - Session – “do it yourself professional development”- ½ hour to 1 hour session templates
 - Session- “Securing a balanced and diversified funding base for your afterschool program” – finding stakeholders, building relationships and showing them the impact that your program makes (amount of jobs, amount of parents that can work, etc...)

- Andre Lewis – author “I want to fly” – will be visiting Indianapolis on June 19th (Judy will provide more info on his visit via email)
- Wide range of sessions on professional development, sustainability, etc...
- Herf Jones – NYSTRO – supplies for afterschool- globes, geography tools, etc.. Washington Twp. Will be using this to start an afterschool club about geography
- Center for Summer Learning Conference– John Hopkins Center for Summer Learning
 - Eric Williams & Mashariki Jywanza attended
 - This organization will be working with Indianapolis programs this summer
 - Majority of sessions were about the games used to teach academics
 - Afterschool programs are playing a huge role in re-engaging kids
 - Energy Express- West Virginia – ½ day program for 6 weeks with AmeriCorp – creating a print rich environment. Program has improved students up 6 reading levels in 6 weeks
 - Johns Hopkins is getting ready to offer a certificate in out of school learning
 - Need to have everyone (all stakeholders) at the table to build programs and create a “city plan”
 - Next year conference will be in Chicago
 - *** Summerlearning.org has great info on grants/programs, etc...

Presentation: Lost and Found, Rodney Anderson

- Basketball program for youth (elementary and middle schools)
- Assist with character building and caring about our youth
- Active in more than 30 schools in the area (i.e. AYS, Indy Parks, Pike twp, Carmel Clay, Warren twp, etc...)
- Program is co-ed, program has inter-school tournaments and all-star games
- www.landfoutrreach.com info@LandFOutreach.com 317-201-5008
- Jeanine Coleman talked about the positive behavior and discipline she has witnessed in the program

IPS Community Education Forum – quarterly presentations on strategies for success told by successful programs in the area and their administrators. First will be in July – Eric Williams will distribute the info on this presentation shortly

Tim Fretz presented certificates to those who participated in Afterschool Week.

Next ACI Meeting- July 8th @ TBA

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