

Afterschool Coalition of Indiana
September 8, 2009
United Way

In attendance: David Klinkose, Debbie Zipes, Maureen Grey, Kim Nentrup, Coco Wolf, Joenne Pope, Gary Pellico, Sara Beanblossom, Johnnie Bell, Jennifer Burnett, Chris Chappell, Lisa Curran, John Drake, Janice Hicks Slaughter, Mashariki Jywanza, Elizabeth Odle, Ploi Pagdalian, Charlotte Pedraza, Larcia Warthaw, Ophelia Wellington, Rayo Nulsen, Alonna Samaniego, Tamika Riggs, Jeff Hotchkiss, Rodney Anderson, Phyllis Hart, and Stephen Barnes.

Indiana Youth Development Credentials- Maureen Grey from IYI

- Indiana is leading the way in this to raise standards for afterschool workers in afterschool
- Professor can come to you if you have enough staff members – but is generally offered at Ivy Tech
- This has helped many youth workers and has been a stepping stone for some to go on to get their Associates and Bachelor's degree
- Many benefits to the kids via high quality staff
- An independent reviewer will come out to site to review the staff member as a part of the program
- Contact for more info- www.indianayouthpro.org/IYD/faq.htm or 317-259-9491
- There is funding available to help pay for the credential –
- Afterschool Standards for Indiana are aligned with this credential
- If you already have a college degree, there is a fast-track

Step Up for Kids – This is a national advocacy event and Indianapolis events will be:

- October 5th is Press conference at the State House at 10am
- October 10th is Community Event Municipal Gardens 9-1pm
- They are looking for volunteers
- Children's Bureau is the organizing body
- Contact info – Kristin Clements-Effner

Lights On-

- Thursday, October 15th at Keenan- Stahl Boys and Girls Club 3-5:30pm
- We need-
 - Afterschool Groups- to register contact Sara Beanblossom sbeanblossom@vsai.org (plus we have funds for transport if needed - contact David Klinkose on this)
 - Booths- contact coco@bgcindy.org
 - Encourage community leaders and influencers to attend
 - Volunteers – contact Coco (volunteers can get a t-shirt this year!)

- We can also use more performing groups between 4 and 5 pm – contact Joenne Pope
- Go online to register and get more information on hosting your own Lights On event at the Afterschool Alliance website --- also be sure to let us know so we can include it in our press release

Indiana Youth Institute-

- www.iyi.org for more information about their annual conference December 1 and 2, 2009
- Afterschool Coalition will have a booth – let us know if you want us to put info at our booth about your organization
- Also – IYI has a wealth of services including subsidized consultants, health care resources, and the Bell Library plus much more....

Indiana Afterschool Network

- Has been invited to speak on the value of afterschool to Common Goal Task Force about improving graduation rates.
 - The Race to the Top grant (\$4.3 billion) – competition between states for afterschool reform– help us gather info so we can help make sure afterschool and summer learning are a part of this grant. You can apply for funding via federal government as a partnership. Info at Grants.gov – you can also sign up for alerts on new grants as they are released. Also keep an eye on the IAN (Indiana Afterschool Network) enews
 - Panel will speak on the 25th of September at the Dropout Summit at the IN Convention Center - part of the America's Promise program
 - Innovation Grants – opportunities to coordinate with school districts – see US Dept. of Education website for more information
- Let ACI know if you need help with collaboration efforts.

Training and Standards Committee

- Seeking members and have many new ideas for committee work this year – consulting, etc...

Election of ACI Officers and Committee Chairs

- David handed out the ACI governance info to explain the structure of the organization
- We will be combining events and media committees
- We have changed the label of the business committee to the business and advocacy committee
- New officers:
 - President – Judy Frapps
 - First Vice President- David Klinkose
 - Second Vice President- Eric Williams
 - Secretary/Treasurer- Janice Hicks Slaughter
 - Business and Advocacy Committee- Gary Pellico

- Media and Events Committee- Sara Beanblossom, Coco Wolf
- Training, Evaluation and Standards Committee- Maureen Grey, Charlotte Pedraza

Networking and General Announcements

- Liz Odle – overseeing Bridges to Success and Community Partnerships with IPS (17 schools). She is replacing Lyman Rhodes. She is working on transportation issues for afterschool. Those schools with a full time coordinator are – 69, 44, 106, 74, 57, 49, 48, 14, 46, 31, 27, 56, 15, 54, 51, 58, 114
- John Drake at Emberwood Center – Brown Bag lunch this Friday on teen suicide at 11:30am
- Ulead – organization that supports youth work. They are working on training with afterschool workers and incorporate a pre ad post evaluation to track progress www.leadership3.org
- Teacher Created Materials – have learning materials and curriculum development that can help in out of school time – highly interactive and help bring students up to level. Contact info at- Rayo Nulsen, rnulsen@tcmpub.com.
- Jeff Hinskets from Boy Scouts of America introduced himself and looks forward to attending future meetings; currently in recruiting mode.
- Ophelia Wellington of Freetown Village – Underground Railroad event at conference for Indiana Freedom Trail – “A Matter of Justice” play which chronicles the story of John Freeman will be presented by Freetown Village on Sept. 17th - more info at freetownvillage.org
- Easy Books (for Essential Aid and Services) from McCoy are available now! If you want many of these – you can contact Mccoy at 921-1266
- Rod Haywood from Kaleidoscope Youth Center – just bought a new building by College Ave library (college and 42nd) Provide services for \$20 a month to youth in the area.
- Don't forget to sign up for committees!
- Reminder: Register your programs on the Afterschool Network website

Please contact Debbie Zipes or David Klinkose if you have ideas for content for the next meeting in November

- Participants requested more time for networking and more space for networking
- More info on grants and their deadlines

Next meeting: November 10, 2009