

Wahkiakum Community Network
Regular Public Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 7th, 2010
River Street Meeting Room

Call to Order- The meeting was called to order by Kassy Burdick – Chair at 6:00PM at the River Street meeting Room. In attendance were: Carol Lewis, Carrie Kennedy, Kassy Burdick, Karen Fleming, Chris Holmes, Shelby Felton, Jordyn Wirkkala, Evelyn Clark, Ashley Helms, Nicole Tarabochia, Lia Sealund (Director), and Tammy Peterson (Coordinator). There was a quorum.

Approval of Previous Minutes- *Carol moved to approve the last minutes; Chris seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

Guest Input, Public Comment- Karen Fleming was honored for her many years of service. Karen was involved in the Network's original foundation in 1996, held the Administrative Assistant position for over 10 years and finally, landed in her current position as a volunteer board member. Thank you Karen!

Board Member Reports – Time was spent on a new activity “High’s and Lows”; this is an opportunity for each member to report to the board the current successes and challenges they are facing either personally or professionally. This will be an ongoing item on the regular board meeting agenda.

Membership Appointments/Changes-

- Steve McClain resigned from non-fiduciary service organization and has volunteered to serve as an alternate for Kassy Burdick, non-fiduciary Wahkiakum School District.
- Joy Niemela resigned non-fiduciary home school education.
- Anne Snyder agreed to serve an additional term as a non-fiduciary representative for Cathlamet City Council. *Evelyn motioned to reappoint Anne Snyder as non-fiduciary Cathlamet City Council; Nicole seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*
- Shelby Felton has agreed to resign from non-fiduciary youth and has volunteered to serve as alternate for Jordyn Wirkkala. *Carol motioned to allow Shelby's meeting attendance count towards Jordyn's attendance in order to be eligible for the Youth Leadership Initiative scholarship; Chris seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Carrie motioned to recommend senior youth to find a lower classmen alternate to be allowed to act as the alternate for a maximum of three of required nine meeting requirements necessary to qualify for the Youth Leadership Initiative. Chris seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ashley, Shelby, Evelyn, and Jordyn were abstained from the vote due to a fiduciary interest in the Youth Leadership Initiative scholarship.*
- Jordyn Wirkkala volunteered to serve as secretary.
- Sub-Committee chair nominations- Shelby Felton is now part of Membership Committee and has agreed to serve as chair of Membership Committee, she is also on the Public Relations Committee. Carrie has agreed to chair the Planning Committee. Nicole has agreed to chair the Allocations Committee. Evelyn has agreed to chair the Public Relations Committee. *Chris motioned to accept the new chairman of each committee; Carol seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

Breakout Sessions- The Community Mobilization Scorecard evaluation survey was handed out and complete by each board member. Lia will develop the survey electronically and submit it to those absent tonight; when completed, she will develop a summary for the board.

Staff Reports-

- Funding: Lia reported there are no updates from the state on the Network's current funding status. As it stands today, we could lose 60% of our \$30,000 grant for community mobilization funding. Lia will continue to keep the board informed as this finalizes. The Network is expected to hear from the federal government regarding our Drug Free Community Grant sometime in June.
- Lia provided an update on the improvements at the Cathlamet town hall and using the lower floor of the town hall as a community center. Lia has been in contact with Mayor George Wehrfritz who has encouraged the Network to consider running the community center, should the town agree to develop the space. The board discussed potential for this space, costs and if a community center can aid the Network in reaching its goals; it was recommended an ad hoc committee be formed to explore this further. *Carrie motioned to set up sub-committee; Chris seconded and the motion carried unanimously.* The following volunteered to join the committee: Carrie, Kassy, Chris, and Carol. Lia will coordinate a meeting date and time.
- Tammy gave summary of youth summit held in February.
- Chamber of Commerce wants WCN to organize youth activities for Bald Eagle's Day. *Chris moved to host one activity, not the whole thing; Shelby seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*
- Lia presented a request to revise the Network's budget. There are unexpended funds remaining from the Evaluation budget. Staff is exploring developing the Healthy Youth Summit as a sustainability project by offering consulting to other coalitions and communities to implement similar events. To market this product, the Network may experience additional costs, including travel to set up displays at national and state trainings. Lia has requested the unexpended \$2900 be redirected to sustainability to market this project. *Carol moved to allow the budget change and utilize the unexpended funds be used to market this product; Evelyn seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

Upcoming Events- Healthy Community Summit town hall: moved from April 21st to May 26th 6-8PM- J.A. Wendt Elementary School Multipurpose Room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM

Minutes submitted by Jordyn Wirkkala, Secretary