

## ***Fox Cities Project Promise Poverty Coalition***

Executive Steering Committee

United Way Fox Cities

June 3, 2010

3:08 p.m. – 4:16 p.m.

### Meeting summary

In attendance: Jennifer Wanke, Amanda Dietrich, Jon Stellmacher, Andrew Konkel, Nicole Harrison, Jenni Eickelberg, and Carrie Hanks via telephone
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**Call to Order:** Jon Stellmacher

**Invocation:** Carrie Hanks shared a story about two little girls carrying a heavy backpack to remind us that our burdens may be too heavy for one of us alone, but they are not too heavy for all of us to share.

**Treasurer's & Membership Report:** Debra Cronmiller reported via email to Jennifer Wanke as she was not able to attend the meeting. The current balance is \$3,565.78. Activity since the last report includes payment to Willems & Co. for hosting and domain fees for the website (\$77.64) and stationary/post cards from Quick Print (\$73.35). Debra will print and distribute invoices for all paid members at the meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Committee Reports:**

- *Analysis & Information:* Jeff and Mito were not in attendance.
- *Awareness & Education:* Jenni Eickelberg reported that they have been working with Jeff Williams to discuss three “wishes” that they have as a committee. They decided their top three priorities were to 1) increase motivation of people to act 2) increase skills in how to act 3) increase awareness of poverty. To achieve these goals they are targeting groups to present to and tailoring their presentation to these groups. They would like to meet with Andrew and Carrie to discuss how to better tailor the presentations and encourage more action.
- *Action & Impact:* Andrew reported there was a change to the website and there is now a Google calendar listing all of the Project Promise events and meetings. Emails should be sent to Catherine Scullion at [cscullion@apl.org](mailto:cscullion@apl.org) to get events on the calendar.  
The Resource fair is set for June 19<sup>th</sup> with the Farmers Market from 8am-12pm. Carrie Hanks reported on the Healthcare tent with the Convoy of Hope from 10am-3pm on August 14 at Maplewood middle school. There will be a 60x80 tent with services such as vision, dental, and cancer screening. They will also provide first aid and possibly vouchers for glasses. They will also be collecting basic

hygiene products like toothpaste to distribute and are looking into additional stations such as massage therapy.

Andrew has sent out the invite and commitment letter for the community services tent. They have 18-20 agencies signed up and will have a babysitting section so that parents can spend time visiting the different agencies. They will also provide a directory of resources. It has been confirmed in writing that participants will no longer be required to go through a prayer tent to receive groceries. This was confirmed in writing so that the county economic support staff could participate. The Faith to Face event will be October 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. The Cropwalk will wrap up the event.

Lastly Andrew mentioned that several Action and Impact members will attend the Analysis and Information meeting at Goodwill to discuss project ideas based on the information they have gathered on June 17<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-5pm.

### **Discussion/Action items:**

Jon Stellmacher retirement: Jennifer presented Jon with the gift of a shirt to celebrate his retirement.

Project Promise email: Becky is no longer with Cap services but the Project Promise email is the same.

June Meeting: Debra Cronmiller has lined up a panel of speakers on the issue of homeless services in the Fox Valley. Carrie will bring tent cards for members to put their names on to better identify the members in attendance.

Committee Leadership: Jon and Jennifer are going to start reviewing the Steering Committee Leadership and terms of service for officers. They will work on it this summer and asked for input from the committee.

Warming Shelter: Carrie and Jon reported on a meeting between several CHAT members and Bill Guilbeault of the Warming Shelter.

*Coalition members are invited and encouraged to attend PPPC executive steering committee meetings. Contact Co-chairs Jennifer Wanke [leaven@new.rr.com](mailto:leaven@new.rr.com) or Jon Stellmacher [jon.stellmacher@thrivent.com](mailto:jon.stellmacher@thrivent.com) if you plan on attending any of the executive steering committee meetings listed below.*

**2010 Meeting dates/times/locations:**

Executive Steering Committee

(First Thursday PM)

3:00-4:30 p.m.

United Way

July 1

Aug 5

Sept.2

Oct. 7

Nov. 4

Dec. 2

Full Membership

(Second Wednesday AM)

7:30-8:30 a.m.

Zion Lutheran Church

June 9

September 8

December 8

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**Steering Committee Meeting Invocations:**

**(2010)**

- July – Carrie Hanks
- August-Jennifer Wanke
- September-Amanda Dietrich
- October-Nicole Harrison
- November-Jenni Eickelberg
- December-Mito Kudaka