



## **Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community November 19, 2007**

**Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on November 19, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library Tempe Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Tempe, Arizona.**

**MEMBERS Present:**

Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation  
Kim Costales, Tempe Elementary School District  
Trish Miller, Community Bridges  
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools  
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley  
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions

**MEMBERS Absent:**

Laura Hanish, ASU - Department of Family and Human Development  
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District  
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections  
Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC  
Veronica Castillo, Chicanos Por La Causa  
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District  
Jan Pagoria, ASU - College of Liberal Arts & Sciences - CLASWORKS  
Grace Ku, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department

**City Staff Present:**

Tim Cox, Community Services - Social Services  
Kim Bauman, Community Services - Social Services  
Judy Tapscott, Community Services-Social Services  
Nancy Rodriguez Tempe Municipal Court  
Kathy Berzins, Community Services-Social Services

**Guests Present:**

Elena Hernandez, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department  
Susan Voirol, Tempe Union High School District (for Randy Lazar)  
Tina Liu, Child Protective Services

**Meeting convened at 9:30 a.m.**

**Agenda Item 1:** Judy Tapscott called the meeting to order. She introduced Kathy Berzins who will be replacing her as the Deputy Community Services Manager-Social Services and will chair this committee.

**Agenda Item 2: Minutes from October 15, 2007 Meeting**

The minutes from October 15, 2007 were reviewed.

**MOTION:** Joe Spracale motioned to approve the minutes.

**SECOND:** Trish Miller seconded the motion.

**COMMITTEE CONSENSUS:** Minutes were approved.

**Agenda Item 3 – Tempe Youth Trends**

**Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools** provided a PowerPoint presentation on websites that have youth data:

- 1) Census data can be accessed at [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov) and includes population demographics, household living arrangements and household income.
  - The American FactFinder link is where to look for data.
  - The American Community Survey provides more current data as it is completed yearly with sample populations.
  - Census data also provides population projections.
- 2) Juvenile Crime data can be accessed at <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/ojstatbb/> and includes crimes committed by juveniles and youth as victims in its Juvenile Court Statistics Databook and Statistical Briefing Book.
- 3) Risk Factor Data can be found at the Center for Disease Control at [www.cdc.gov/healthy-youth.yrbs](http://www.cdc.gov/healthy-youth.yrbs) under the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System and includes unintentional injuries and violence, tobacco use, alcohol and other drug use, and sexual behaviors. The Annie E. Casey Foundation Kids Count website at [www.aecf.org](http://www.aecf.org) provides state level data on over 100 measures of child wellbeing.
- 4) Arizona sources of data include:
  - Department of Health Services at [www.azdhs.gov/plan/report/ahs](http://www.azdhs.gov/plan/report/ahs) includes annual data on pregnancies by pregnancy outcome, causes of death, sexually transmitted diseases, hospital discharges and emergency room visits, marriage rates and dissolutions of marriage.
  - Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Youth Survey at [www.azcjc.gov/sac/AYS.asp](http://www.azcjc.gov/sac/AYS.asp) includes information on community, school, family and individual risk and protective factors, substance abuse, antisocial behavior and depression.
  - Department of Public Safety at [www.azdps.gov/crimereport/default.asp](http://www.azdps.gov/crimereport/default.asp) includes annual data by county on the cost of property crimes, arrests by male/female and hate crimes data.
  - Department of Education at [www.ade.az.gov](http://www.ade.az.gov) includes annual data on school report cards, free and reduced lunch, dropout data, and school incidence reports.

**Agenda Item 4 –Communities for Kids**

**Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities for Kids** provided the following update:

- 1) The Don't Wait to Educate series at Nevitt Elementary School was very successful. Fifteen families completed the Spanish speaking series and program evaluations indicated parents learned how to get their children prepared for school. Kelly Straw is returning to graduate school so Lynette is looking for someone to replace her as the coordinator of this program.

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**Agenda Item 5 – Grant and Program Updates**

- 1) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** announced that the City of Tempe will need to conduct a needs assessment that includes qualitative data as part of its Magellan Prevention grant. Focus groups and public forums are two ways to collect qualitative data and this committee has conducted these in the past. Since other members of this committee also have to complete the needs assessment Kim suggested that this committee conduct some focus groups. The collected data could also be shared with the school districts and other organizations providing services in Tempe.

**MOTION:** **Kim Bauman** motioned that Tempe's Committee for Youth, Families and Community conduct focus groups and public forums to gain information on needs and resources in Tempe.

**SECOND:** **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in School** seconded the motion.

**COMMITTEE CONSENSUS:** The motion was approved.

**Agenda Item 6– Announcements**

- 1) **Tina Liu, Child Protective Services (CPS)** announced CPS will be holding a Tempe Community Family to Family Strategy meeting on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Following that meeting will be a Community Partner Training on December 4<sup>th</sup> where community members can be trained to become community representatives on Family to Family Team Decision Making. The training will also provide information on how CPS operates and its restrictions. The goal is to have strong community involvement and support with CPS families. CPS is also becoming more involved with the community by meeting with apartment managers who have the highest number of CPS referrals in their community.
- 2) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced that the "Flippin for Education" Pancake Breakfast will be held at the Tempe Schools Credit Union on December 1<sup>st</sup> from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The community-wide event encourages participants to donate up to \$400 in tax credits to Tempe schools. Joe distributed tickets to committee members. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$2.00.
- 3) **Trish Miller, Community Bridges** announced they are providing a presentation on methamphetamine. If committee members are interested this presentation can be provided at a future meeting.
- 4) **Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities in Schools** announced she is in the process of recruiting teens for the Production Team/Steering Committee for the 2008 Tempe Youth Showcase. Applications can be accessed on-line at <http://www.tempe.gov/tcc/>. The Tempe Youth Showcase will be held at the Tempe Center for the Arts on April 12<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 p.m.
- 5) **Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation** announced that the Corona Key Club sponsored by the Tempe Kiwanis is in need of a service project. Lynette Stonefeld mentioned there is a need for a baby food drive for teen parents.

**Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items**

- Methamphetamine presentation
- Focus groups
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **December 17, 2007 at 9:30 a.m.**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.**

Prepared by: Kim Bauman

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Tim Cox for Judy Tapscott, Outgoing Chair