



Arizona Parents Commission On Drug Education and Prevention Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2016
10:00 AM

ARIZONA STATE CAPITOL
1700 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007
Executive Tower, First Floor Conference Room, Suite 105

A general meeting (conference call) of the Arizona Parents Commission On Drug Education and Prevention convened on January 13, 2016. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the Parents Commission.

Members Present

Joseph R. Leduc
Linda Stiles
Rachel Yanof

Devon Hageman
Mark E. Rochde
Eric Meaux - phone

Kristine M. Thompson
Lisa Lannon

Members Absent

Dennis Embry

Staff and Guest Present

Debbie Moak
Tonya Hamilton
Sonya Pierce-Johnson
Samuel Burba

Kayleigh Larkins
Deborah Miller

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Joseph Leduc called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Debbie Moak, Director, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family welcomed members and guest. She asked Commissioners to introduce themselves.

Ms. Moak announced the Governor's Youth Commission friendly competition between all counties regarding Youth Lead Service. Ms. Moak shared the webpage which shows the service hours and number of youth who have served. Ms. Moak recognized La Paz County as leading the competition, which ends on January 23, 2015. Ms. Moak also introduced the "Keep Them Safe" Family Resource Guide produced by GOYFF.

Ms. Moak also encouraged all in attendance to take copies of the Guide and distribute in their communities.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION)

Minutes for the General Meeting held November 18, 2015 were reviewed.

Commissioner Mark Rochde made a motion to approve the General Meeting minutes.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lisa Lannon and approved by all.

(16.01.01)

D. STATEWIDE STANDARDIZED EVALUATION

Jane Dowling, Wellington Consultant Group, presented an overview of the Arizona Parent Commission Statewide Evaluation Project. Ms. Dowling stated that the evaluation would provide common outcome measures across all sites and include core measures from Department of Behavioral Health Services and Arizona Youth Survey, as well as measures for selected risk/protective factors. Family Satisfaction Surveys will provide feedback on program, content, implementation and impact. The project will include Web Portal functions for fidelity monitoring, monthly process reporting, quarterly progress reporting and access to web-based dashboard for use by the GOYFF staff. Ms. Dowling stated that the goals of the Statewide Evaluation project would include; how do projects compare in scope, diversity, area served, what are similarities in project demographics, implementation, and data collection efforts, and what is the impact of programs on selected risk/protective factors, and increased education about harms caused by substance abuse. Ms. Dowling stated that priority areas for evaluation would include; engagement of youth and parents together, family drug prevention planning, implementation of youth engagement activities, inclusion of one or more strategies under Arizona's Prescription Drug Misuse and Abuse Initiative, and utilization of peer to peer program components.

Commissioner Rohde inquired if there were concerns and/or challenges with showing outcomes related to difficult populations.

Ms. Dowling stated that the evaluators will work with programs at the individual level to ensure successes with difficult populations.

Chairman Leduc thanked Ms. Dowling for her presentation.

E. SUB-GRANTEE PRESENTATION – Campesinos Sin Fronteras

Emma Torres, Director of Campesinos Sin Fronteras presented an overview of the Family First/Primero La Familia program. Ms. Torres stated that the Mission of the program is to build capacity, educate, advocate, and support the community including farm workers, families, new immigrants and low to moderate income people to improve their quality of life. Ms. Torres stated that the program serves the population of Yuma County, specifically southern Yuma County. Ms. Torres stated that there are three overarching goals; Goal One has a Parent Focus-to increase prevention education skills and knowledge, and to provide tools for building effective communication skills with their children. Goal Two has a Youth Focus-to strengthen the South Yuma County Anti-Drug Coalition to address the prevalence of alcohol and other drug use among youth. Goal Three has a Youth Focus-to engage youth in service learning through a

community theater project with alcohol and drug use culturally sensitive prevention message. Ms. Torres stated a Youth Leadership Institute is a key component of the program for leadership development. Ms. Torres stated that outcomes from the Institute include; graduating 125 youth, engaging local community leaders and elected offices to share their experience, and increased drug use prevention education among local youth. Ms. Torres stated that an Advisory Youth Group, formed by a group of teens who educate and advocate for a tobacco, alcohol and drug free environment in South Yuma County, provide community awareness and successfully advocated for an anti-tobacco ordinance in the community of San Luis.

Director, Debbie Moak applauded the efforts of Ms. Torres and the youth. Ms. Moak inquired if Ms. Torres was aware of the two Governor's Youth Commission members in Yuma County.

Ms. Torres stated she has been trying to connect with the Youth Commissioners.

Chairman Leduc applauded Ms. Torres for implementing a Peer to Peer program and inquired how they measure success.

Ms. Torres stated that they have monthly and quarterly monitoring through an external evaluator.

Commissioner Rohde inquired if they coordinate services with Mexico.

Ms. Torres stated that they try to work closely with Mexico, but there are some difficulties.

Chairman Leduc thanked Ms. Torres for her presentation.

F. SUB-GRANTEE PRESENTATION – PASADERA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NETWORK, INC.

Amy Bass, presented an overview of the Pima County Community Prevention Coalition youth program BeFreePima.com. Ms. Bass stated that the program is youth lead with adult support and focuses on building leadership skills in youth by providing learning through multiple environments and multiple media sources. Ms. Bass stated the program used a logic model created with the assistants of Dave Lynn to guide the creation of the program. Ms. Bass discussed the Youth Website Advisory Committee (YWAC) who are youth that provide personal examples and peer-to-peer influence to promote healthy activities and information to assist other youth live free from the restrictions of alcohol and other drugs.

Director, Debbie Moak stated that she was very pleased that the youth are leading the programs and suggested that Ms. Bass connect with the Governor's Youth Commissioners in Pima County. Ms. Moak also stated to watch for the GYC Youth Leadership Conference which will be in April of 2016.

Chairman Joseph Leduc thanked Ms. Bass for her presentation.

G. RFGA OVERVIEW

Sonja Pierce-Johnson, Program Administrator, GOYFF announced that the RFGA Timeline. Currently the RFGA is being reviewed by the Accounting Department, and then will be sent to the Legal Department. This process should take approximately 2 months. GOYFF anticipates an early spring of 2016 release.

H. FUTURE AGENDA/MEETING SCHEDULE

Chairman Joseph Leduc announced the next two meeting dates; March 9, 2016 and May 18, 2016 in the same location.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

J. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

K. ADJOURN

A motion was made for adjournment by Commissioner Yanof, at 11:10 am and seconded by Commissioner Stiles and approved by all. (16.01.02)