



The Alliance

June 12, 2007

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Location: Leaf & Bean (19th & Columbia)

President: Kimberly Romero

Present: Liz Barveld, Kim Romero, Linda Blauwkamp, Bin Lim, Eleanor Lopez, Janie Briones

Absent: Marvin Younger, Becky Arenas, Mary Yedinak

Visitors: Ann Weller

- **Call to order 5:00pm – Kimberly Romero**
- **Review of previous minutes – Minutes Approved**
- **Treasurer's Report - Balance: \$3,981.02**
- **Discussion of Pens purchased**

Report/Discussion

- Linda Blauwkamp and Eleanor Lopez collaborated on purchasing and designing pen
- 1,000 pens purchased at Ben's Rubber Stamp
- Cost of pens \$.43 each with a \$50.00 discount. Total cost \$380.00
- Pens to be used as an advertisement/give away for our ACEH Alliance
- Pens are in many colors and include our logo and web site address

No Follow up needed – Members agreed pens were very nice

- **Discussion of July Meeting**
 - July 13, 2007

Report/Discussion

- Janie Briones to contact Rev. Angela Taylor-Perry – Pastor called to Holland Faith Christian Reformed church as a possible speaker.
- Fall back – Possible DVD's – Eleanor Lopez will provide

**Follow up – Janie to call Rev Taylor-Perry
Eleanor to co-ordinate ICE program**

- **Discussion of August Picnic**

- August 5, 2007 – 1:00pm

Report/Discussion

- To be held at Ransom Park
- Kim Romero will create balloon art with the children
- Annie Olson to do clay art – Eleanor to contact
- Liz Barveld to buy piñata and fill with candy
- Liz will contact Greg Hulsbos to sing and play

Follow up at next board meeting

Other Business

- Juneteenth – June 16, 2007

Report/Discussion

- Saturday, June 16 – 1:00 – 7:00pm
- Eleanor Lopez to create schedule for workers
- Eleanor will also set up table
- Annie Olson to do clay art starting at 3:00pm
- Liz Barveld to bring candy
- Kim Romero will do balloon art during her scheduled shift

Follow up needed by participating board members

Other Business Continued

- Walk and Roll – June 14, 2007

Report/Discussion

- Thurs. June 14 – 5:00pm
- Via Maria Restaurant – 13 West 17th St.
- Lunch provided
- Walk through beautiful downtown Holland
- Pledge envelopes provided by Disability Network
- ACEH is collaborating with the Disability Network and will receive ½ of pledges received

Follow up – All board members are asked to participate

Discussion – Sentinel Article

- June 12, 2007

- Article written by Case Van Kempen
- Title - A tale of two Hollands
- ACEH has interest in article since it talks about the diversity in Holland
- We have a diverse population
- African-American, Hispanics (50% under 18 years of age are of Hispanic decent), Asian
- Are not seen shopping at one of our high-end grocery stores, attend sporting events at Hope College, attend the Holland Symphony, the Holland Chorale or nearly any other traditional arts offering in town
- So Mr. Van Kempen states a person of his ethnic background could live his whole life in Holland and hardly even know about the ethnicities living in Holland; therefore we have two Hollands

No Follow – up needed

Discussion – Gang Symposium

Report/Discussion

- Held at Boys & Girls Club of Greater Holland
- ACEH members attending Marvin Younger and Linda Blauwkamp
- Discussion lead by Janie Briones and Linda Blauwkamp
- Discussion – what can ACEH do to improve problem and show support

Follow up needed

Future Meeting Recap and Tabled Items

- September Meeting
- Thoughts for October
- Brainstorm possible ideas for ICE files

Next Board Meeting – July 10, 2007- 5:00pm
Location: Leaf and Bean – 19th and Columbia Ave.