

COMMUNITY BUILDING TEAM

MEETING MINUTES

February 8, 2013

Jesse handed out paperwork for the Festival of Nations.

The date is Saturday, May 4, 2013. Many expressed what a great job Jesse did in gathering the data. Included in the packet is the entertainment schedule from 2012. Jesse mentioned the schedule remains the same year after year. Adding a few changes if necessary, a map of the Xcel Center layout, a list of the different countries that will be represented at the festival.

We were asked 'what do we think about this event and why it didn't work 3 years ago?'. Some responses are:

Time issue – Not enough time to market the event

Good Idea – An event like this is long overdue.

Get more residents involved in hi-rise events.

Learn new cultures and exposure to many new things.

If folks want to attend they will find the means to attend.

Jesse acquired 200 FREE tickets from the festival director. Way to go Jesse!

Each hi-rise will be asked to donate \$150 to help provide free tickets for all attendees. RPC met to decide how much funding they will provide in partnership with the community building team, hi-rise resident councils and free tickets.

Action item**Roxanne will assist in creating a board to be posted at each hi-rise to display the schedule, the festival layout and highlight the passport program. This will include the date, time and any additional information we have gathered.

Some specifics include the start time of noon that all residents must meet as a group to enter at no cost.

All residents who use the transportation provided must leave at 4:00 pm. If you provide your own transportation you can leave at any time. But ALL must meet at noon.

The Presidents Council will take back to their hi-rises the information gathered and start spreading the news of the upcoming event. The poster boards will provide more detailed information.

Some suggestions to spread the word are to use the hi-rise newsletter, talk it up around the hi-rise, post flyers and the poster boards.

Eileen's comments: How did this come about? Kim Nguyen received a request to write a letter in response to a HUD inquiry. The report was created by Eileen and will be presented to the board. Eileen encouraged us to keep focused and to continue moving forward.

TALK IT UP!!

Eileen suggested the resident councils use the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther King's I Have A Dream speech if they plan to have a black history event. Audit training is happening in February also. One board member from each high rise is required to attend the training.

Upcoming meetings:

February 21, 3:00 pm
Ross Implementation Team

February 22,
Auditor Training 9:30 am
Peer Training 9:30 pm
Executive Committee 2:00 pm

March 1, 9:30
Community Building 9:30 am