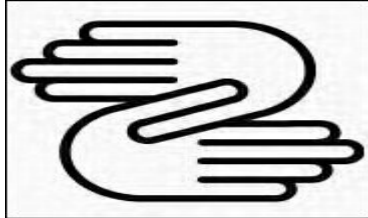


# **COMMUNITY BUILDING TEAM**

**JESSE THOMAS  
CHAIR**



**\*\*\* MEETING MINUTES \*\*\***

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2012**

Jesse opened meeting passing out minutes from the October meeting. He also made a point to ask "How you feeling?"

Jesse asked for 4 volunteers to step up, and confront a negative situation turning it into a positive situation. A handout was given to each volunteer to describe environment or surroundings, summarize situation at hand, describe what you did to switch the situation, and summarize your personal feelings during and after your involvement. Each volunteer is to bring the result to the next meeting. The volunteers are:

Karen Arnold, Exchange  
Miss Henry, Neill

Lisa Lee, Wilson  
Marlys Zerahn, Dunedin

New ideas to attract 'younger' residents to each hi-rise..

- 7 All hi-rise dance in a central location sponsored by community building team.
- 8 Need funding
- 9 Ask at each hi-rise
- 10 if someone would like to put a African group together like 'Dancing with the stars Ethnic groups, 20 something's
- 11 Transportation for such an event – Roxanne will help contact churches, non-profits if they can help with transportation
- 12 Karen Arnold shared that karaoke and dances are held once per month at Exchange.

Discussion was opened up to come up with ideas that additional funding could be used for.

13 Festival of Nations, Jesse Thomas

14 Present a play about living in a hi-rise, Miss Henry

Suggestion made to contact community theater groups to work with/train volunteers to save time when rehearsing a play. Suggestion made to look within hi-rise for volunteers instead of using professionals.

Many students live in the hi-rises perhaps some are learning to or participate in plays and productions.. Jesse will create a flier to post in each high rise looking for performers to create a performing group "Calling all thespians"

Mary Puente asked what about the newsletter discussed at previous meetings, what are we doing with that? And a discussion began.... As a result Barb Ingram stated she has publishing training and Ruby Stewart loves to write. We will continue to work at getting a newsletter to be available on the Presidents Council website as well as some hard copies at the high-rises.

Because of the health of Patti Hammel, Community Building Team has agreed to have the December meeting in the community room of Wilson

hi-rise.. As scheduled next meeting will be:

Friday, December 14, 2012 @ 1:00 pm

Wilson Hi-rise \*\* 1300 Wilson Ave \*\* St Paul, MN 55106

Action items:

Performers – Jesse Thomas to create flyer to be posted at all hi-rises.

Up Coming Meetings:

President Council Meeting

Monday, November 26, 2012 @ 10:00 am

RPC Meeting  
Friday, December 7, 2012 @ 9:30 am

Peer Meeting  
Friday, December 7, 2012 @ 11:00 am

Community Building Team  
Friday, December 14, 2012 @ 1:00 pm / Wilson Hi-rise

Community Building Team, had discussions on a variety of ideas.

With the New Year (2013) already knocking at the door, it's time to start actions with implimenting some of the ideas to bring success and purpose to our team... With continued positive thinking at hand, we can make it happen... :)