

# COMMUNITY BUILDING TEAM

## MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2013

Jesse set the guidelines for this meeting by asking the group to focus on 2 parts for discussion.

1. Festival of Nations
2. Community Based Newsletter
  - a. Safeguard community hi-rise information 'community building' topics only.
  - b. Determine when to do the newsletter.
  - c. Select an editor.
  - d. We need ideas to include in the newsletter, on regular bases.
  - E. Distribution – Drop off in mail, distribute to each community building member.

Introductions were called for and February minutes were read.

Festival of Nations – We need to step forward and volunteer to get things done.

### Funding

Eileen – We still need a commitment from all 16 hi-rises to donate \$150. RPC will move funds around to total \$2000 toward the Festival of Nations. We need to spread the word about the sign-up sheets and get folks interested in attending.

Ruby – Get the word out, post fliers on each floor of the hi-rise, put flier under doors and deliver to each apartment.

How do we cover the cost of printing fliers?

Roxane – What's the number of fliers needed? There are 2400 residents in PHA hi-rises. Roxane suggested we redo the fliers in black and white to keep costs low. Marlys commented that color is much better. We also need

some fliers in Somali, Hmong and Spanish. Roxane will use translation software to create the fliers.

## Transportation

Find your own way but be there by NOON.

Karen mentioned Metro Mobility riders can have 4 guests but metro runs inconsistently.

Ruby – Taxi's may not be an option due to payments made on the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

Barb – Taxis are not that busy by the 4<sup>th</sup> of the month.

Ruby shared a bad experience when taking a cab on the 4<sup>th</sup> of the month and also mentioned that May 4<sup>th</sup> is also on the weekend.

Eileen suggested a deadline of April 19<sup>th</sup> to sign-up for the festival. Connie asked how we will know how many tickets will be given out.

Roxane mentioned other resident incentives such as the poster boards. What to put on poster boards? Color pictures, entertainment listing, foods, sample tray and more information about the mock passports.

## **Newsletter**

Ideas to be included in the newsletter:

- \*To share information
- \*Special recognition announcements
- \*Photos
- \*Puzzles
- \*Recipes
- \*Deaths
- \*Who do I call list
- \*what do when I need to do...

Lay out a plan for the year to encourage RC's to get planning.

Guidelines NSL Publications WHEN IN DOUGHT LEAVE IT OUT  
IF NOT SURE SEEK A CURE

Eileen noted not to move into PHA business. We do not represent public housing.

We need to create guidelines to protect the community building team and our readers.

- \*All positive and no offensive language
- \*No religion
- \*Be politically correct
- \*No political comments
- \*We'll create a form for folks to sign if their photo is used.

Miss Henry – Will there be a list of what needs to be done so all can be involved?

Jesse - We need folks to

- \*assign job responsibilities to
- \*Do Interviews
- \*Work as a team

- \*Submit Photos
- \*Print ideas

Committee Members should expect to begin working on the newsletter after the June elections.

Distribution discussion tabled to next meeting.

We only need **ONE** boss

Eileen's comments:

Pleased with the meeting. CB team good guidance to folks out there.

The newsletter issues will be done quarterly.

Adjourned 10:40 am.

Upcoming meetings:

March 25

Presidents Council Meeting 10:00 am

April 9

Computer Team meeting 10 am

April 12

Community Building/RPC 9:30 am