

Civic Engagement Minutes

5.8.12

NCCR Rm #205

OUR MISSION: To identify, define and develop a sustainable plan of action which addresses signature social issues in Greater Asheville that engages and provides a significant volunteer experience among the NCCCR membership community

- I. Call to Order and Members present: Mark Threlkeld, Dave Sherek, Barry Mundt, Catherine Frank, Michelle Rogers, Michelle Bennett, Gil Curl, Bonnie Habel, Fred Meyer, Chuck Rosenblum, Tom Bushar, Sarah Reincke, Carol Culler, Patti Cameron and Lee Medart
- II. Welcome Michelle Bennett from hands on America.
- III. 4.24.12 minutes approved
- IV. Motion
*The CEC will address Hunger and Food Security as our initial signature projects during the College for Seniors' Fall, Winter **and Spring** terms, 2012-2013. Utilizing a service-learning approach we will offer symposia, including lectures, discussion groups and sharing sessions, focusing on volunteer service projects with small groups of NCCCR members. ~~A second area of concern is public education, which will be the focus during Spring and Summer terms, 2013.~~*
 - A. Discussed time length of time for signature projects and decided to keep length to one year
 - B. Discussed whether to mention hunger and education project focus. Omitted education which will be addressed at a later time.
 - C. Motioned brought to a vote as amended above and passed.
- V. Signature programming to be introduced to membership in the 2013 Winter CFS curriculum booklet.
 - A. Print deadline early October
 - B. Advanced marketing planned and will appear in weekly E-newsletter. More details will be worked out later
- IV. Sub Committees formed
 - A. Community Research sub committee
 1. Members: Michelle Rogers, Barry Mundt and Dave Sherek
 2. The committee will create a list of questions to use with each agency they contact.
 3. The committee will develop the questions and bring them to the May 22nd meeting.
 4. The committee will contact Manna and ASAP
 - a.) discussed the idea of having a speaker at one of our meetings-Gordon Smith, Asheville City Council member who is involved in the Asheville Buncombe Food Policy Council and decided that this information might make a good lecture as part of the curriculum offered.
 5. Patti Cameron (RSVP) is a great resource for contact information of agency administrators as well as general agency culture.

B. Curriculum design sub committee

1. Members: Catherine Frank, Chuck Rosenblum and Carol Culler
2. Sub committee will identify models which will give insight to best design practices
3. To report initial finding at the May 22nd meeting.

VII. Mission Statement

To support on-going projects, LAS, RSVP, SHIP, HandsOn, and to identify, define and develop a sustainable plan of action which addresses signature social issues in Greater Asheville that engages and provides a significant volunteer experience among the NCCCR membership community

- A. Discussion regarding the inclusion of the sentence mentioning the CE on-going projects
1. Omitting the on-going project wording takes the motion back to the one originally presented on 4.10.12.
 2. Motion read and passed

VIII. RSVP (Patti Cameron)

- A. Fred Meyer, Kenn Haring met with Patti to discuss the RSVP goals with regard to OLLI (NCCR)
1. RSVP will continue its current role at the center
 2. Fred and Ken will work with Patti to better market the RSVP services to the OLLI (NCCCR) membership via the weekly E-newsletter

IX. On-going program updates

- A. LAS plans are coming together and sessions planners are being identified and contacted
- B. SHIP – all is well and no report

X. Adjourned 5:40

NEXT MEETING MAY 22, 4:15 TO 6PM Room 205

