

TOMCAT BRIDGEBUILDERS' MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2014

Trimble High School

Members present: Diana Chalfant, Kathy Hecht, Svea Maxwell, Henry Maxwell, Becky Pettit, Bryna Ramsey, Alice Richards, Jeff Ross, Kathy Trace, and Mandy Wright

Ms. Trace called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

1. Committee Updates

A. Community Development/Housing

The group discussed the “Energy Smart” initiative for replacement bulbs for businesses.

2. Funding Update

- Ms. Maxwell said a board meeting is needed to finalize the budget. She also said she had spoken with HRS regarding Environmental Strategy trainings.
- Ms. Ramsey discussed an anti-bullying program for 6th-8th grades and possibly 2nd grade.
- Ms. Ramsey discussed re-establishing the Teen Institute program locally and enlisting the school administrators and social workers to recruit youth.
- The group discussed requiring groups to write proposals for BB funding.
- The group will discuss the Leadership project with Ms. Guffey at a future date.

3. Treasurer's Report

A report was distributed to the group.

4. Medication Lock Boxes

As approved at the August meeting Ms. Trace purchased five medication lock boxes, two were donated to Chix 4 a Cure for a silent auction. The remaining three will be donated or used for events in the future.

5. United Appeal Fundraiser

The group discussed the fundraiser being held on September 27th at Kisor's at the Eclipse restaurant. Ms. Trace and Ms. Chalfant will attend. Volunteers and donations are still needed. Ms. Trace will email flyers for the event.

6. Athens Foundation Update

- a. The Board voted via email to send Ms. Richards and Ms. Pettit to Arizona for the National Youth2Youth Conference.
- b. Ms. Pettit reported on local activities with youth. Plans are underway for the September 27th Youth Retreat at Burr Oak State park. The retreat was inspired by the “We are the Majority” youth rally.

7. Chix for a Cure

Chix for a Cure event will be held October 4th 9am-1pm. The HCOM van will be there to provide health screens.

8. Kathy Hecht

Ms. Hecht said she was impressed by what the BB group is doing. She said she had ideas for helping the community deal with vacant properties through available state programs.

9. Other

Next meeting is October 1, 2014

10. Meeting Adjourned