

Minutes of WCEI Task Force Meeting

Thursday March 19, 2009 7:30 PM

In attendance:

Jon G., Jason M., Sheri C., Yuqi Z., Alex B., Jim S., Andy D., Sharon deK. and Dawn K.

1. The Minutes of February 12, 2009 meeting were accepted as written

2. Updates:
 - a. Tri-Town Contest (Dr. Britton approved the distribution of the contest flyer)
To Dos: Yuqi to print out double sided (cost?); Jon to contact MaryLou Torre – Principal at BRS and Dr. Guy Stella; Jason to ask BRPTO (Andrea Fleischman (?) to send out an announcement to the BRS electronic database (Jon to check as well with Sheila McR); Jason will do an e-mail blast to our database; Jason will purchase the prizes; Jason will get info into the local papers
 - b. New members – High School representatives
We need to find an Alex replacement (Impossible!) and/or get new high school members of the level of Yuqi and Alex (we don't want them to leave the Committee). Plan for doing this:
To Dos: Alex will talk with the ARHS guidance Counselors; the guidance counselors will talk to freshmen and sophomores
 - c. Speaker's - Series – Jason
Next Tuesday: Center for Green Building in Bridgeport see:
<http://www.centerforgreenbuilding.com/> at the Library

Movie “Who Killed the Electric Car?” Thursday April 16, 7 PM at the Library

To Dos: Dawn, get our Speakers Series into the Shalom New Haven; Sharon get a list of the Community Garden people; put a flyer at the Woodbridge True Value hardware; Alex and Jason – PR through the Amity Observer/Register/Bulletin

- d. Massaro Farm
 - i. Audit – Steven Winters Associates March 19th
Audit done today by two people from Steven Winter Associates
 - ii. Development efforts
501(c) 3 papers signed and submitted; visited with other CSA people; preparing soil for vegetation; Jon on Development committee- Appropriations Request to Rosa DeLauro in; USDA proposal due April 27
To Dos: High School writing article on the farm; Jon – get USDA proposal in on time working with MCF Development Committee; Solicit ideas for ways to hook MCF into the schools – nutrition education; volunteers from the High School

e. Beecher Road School

Meeting (postponed twice) scheduled for early April to resolve rook mounting concerns – may add expense

To Dos: Jon to attend, then communicate with Bob Wall at CCEF

f. PV on the Amity Regional HS

Yuqi working with Dr. Britton and CCEF

g. Children's program

Sheri has develop a program for young kids – ages 4 -8 on the importance of energy conservation – switching off the lights plus a book reading; Judy at the Library very supportive of this activity; Saturday April 11 at 2 Pm in the Library

To Dos: volunteer to help out, or come with kids or neighbors

3. Other Business

Judging our contest entries with a pizza party – **Thursday May 14th**

NEXT WCEITF meeting - Thursday April 30, 2009 at Town Hall 7:30 PM