



RSVP Advisory Council Meeting
Minutes of August 14, 2007

Members Present

Sandy Caviness	Mary S. Newton
Amelia S. Clarke	Sofia Ordonez
Rosa De Leon	Esther Perez
Armida H. Hernández	Cora S. Ramirez
Anne Langenfeld	Barbara Rodgers
Robert Marin	Shirley J. Whelen

Members Absent

Alicia de Jong Davis
Marcellus Fullmore
Kaaren Kimball
Irma Chavez-Rodríguez

Staff

Norma Corona
Henry Drake
Lori Rodriguez
Eva F. Aguilar
Sandra Serrano

Call to Order and Quorum Count

Meeting called to order @ 10:08 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes reviewed and approved.

Announcements/Comments

Henry informed council that the Banquet Ads had totaled to about 3,000. He wanted to thank everyone that helped with recruiting ads.

Unfinished Business

Lori advised council that Banquet invitations would be sent out on the 24th of August to volunteers and stations. She also mentioned that deadline for invitation reply would be the 21st of September. Lori suggested to council to let staff know if they hear of anyone not receiving an invitation that should have received one.

New Business

Henry mentioned to council if they were aware of any location or organization that would want to become a RSVP station to let him know, he would need a contact person so he could call and give further information about the RSVP program. Mrs. Clarke asked Henry if Community Solutions had become a station; Henry mentioned not yet but more than likely they would. Mrs. Clarke went on to discuss her experience with the session at Community Solutions, she felt that it was a bit too long and too much information is given at one time. She suggested that they should split it in two sessions. She did agree that the program stands for a very worthy cause but there are a lot of rules and regulations to follow, they mentioned law-suits because you transport the children in your car while under your care.

Eva shared with council that she had just recently visited the Jewish Family and Children's Service site and was very impressed with all the volunteers and their work. They make dolls for special need's children and the station is in need of fabric. Lori also shared with council the need of volunteers at Villa Maria, which is a home for women who are at a disadvantage or homeless. Volunteers are needed to answer phones, greet the women and the site is also looking to setting up a computer lab. Mrs. Roberts suggested contacting EPCC to send students to provide computer instruction.

Suggestions for the Good of the Council

Mrs. De Leon announced the conference to be held at Ft. Bliss, August 16th. She also mentioned the September 7th Environmental Summit and September 8th and 9th the Grandparent Celebration at Cielo Vista Mall.

Mrs. Ordonez wanted to acknowledge Mrs. De Leon for being mentioned in the newspaper with "Rebuilding Together" in helping her neighbor get a new roof.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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September 11, 2007