

BVHP COMMUNITY CONVENER MEETING # 35

Tuesday, August 17, 2010, 1:00pm - 3:00pm PST

Joseph Lee Recreation Center
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MEETING SUMMARY DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Introductions:

On August 17, 2010 BMAGIC held its thirty-fifth Community Convener Meeting at the Joseph Lee Recreation Center. Marquez Gray, Community Convener, expressed his happiness to have everyone present at this meeting, and stated how great it felt to have the Back to School Event be such a success. There were no fights, backpacks were given out peacefully and in an organized way, and the community came out in great form to support the work.

At this time Marquez asked everyone to go around the room and give their name, organization and to share one thing that they remembered about their first day of school. He informed the group that the purpose of these exercises is to make sure that we are learning about each other as a collaborative not just professionally, but also on a personal level. This is how we build stronger bonds for collaboration. Attendees of the meeting shared great stories about songs that their teachers would play on the piano, to the outfit that they wore to show off to the other kids, to how their Kindergarten teacher reminded them of a witch!

2. COMMUNITY/ CAPACITY BUILDING

RESOURCE GUIDE UPDATE - Anita Lopez, BMAGIC volunteer and coordinator of the 2010 Resource Guide updating, announced that there would be an absolutely final draft of this document on Friday and that this is the very last opportunity to get involved. She will be returning to school next week and the project will be closed. She invited anyone to check in with her and double check that they made it into the newest version. The most important information to get to Anita is a valid contact name that someone from the public could call and easily reach, not necessarily a Director, and an up to date phone number. Please look forward to the Guide coming out within the next few weeks.

ACTION ITEM: *Check in with Anita Lopez to ensure that your program is in the Guide, Anita@bayviewmagic.org.*

DUE DATE: *August 20, 2010*

BMAGIC LEARNING COLLABORATIVE RETREAT - Yvette Robles took the floor to congratulate everyone for a safe and productive summer despite all of the worries that there would be major problems in Bayview Hunters Point without summer school. BMAGIC will begin to institute quarterly half-day retreats around important subjects that the collaborative wants to discuss. With the success of the Summer Learning Collaborative, BMAGIC has decided to hold a retreat this fall in response to the state of education in San Francisco. We will be hosting New Day for Learning Director, Margaret Brodtkin, and Assistant Superintendent Patricia Gray to facilitate a discussion around understanding new changes within the system and learn how community-based organizations can participate and engage. We seek to create a space for organizations to work together and share programming ideas, as well as dialogue around important issues. We will be scheduling this retreat on September 1, 2010 and sending out an email RSVP. Please look out for this notice and reply to Julia Weisner, Julia@bayviewmagic.org, with any dietary restrictions that you might have.

3. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

BMAGIC BACKPACK GIVEAWAY- BMAGIC would like to thank the collaborative for all of their support. We had a completely organized, peaceful, and well-supported event this year. We gave out at least 2,500 backpacks stuffed with school supplies at the event, plus an additional 2,500 to the rest of the city of San Francisco. At the last minute Office Depot donated an extra 750 backpacks, coordinated

through the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, which allowed for BMAGIC to get backpacks to even more community members. Due to this fortunate donation, BMAGIC actually had backpacks left over, which are being given out to community groups who originally requested them but were turned down. We are giving backpacks to BVHP organizations regardless of the event in Bayview because our event targeted mostly young children, and we want to make sure that older youth receive them as well. There was also a large event that same day for the Samoan Community, and many were not able to attend. For the infamous stuffing process, BMAGIC hosted about 50 volunteers who showed up on their own time to support the work. We had great performances at the actual event by Never Stop Learning Crew, the Lion Dancers, and Sunset Youth Services.

BMAGIC Staff is still recovering from the long weekend, however are definitely happy with the outcome. Marquez noted the presence of one of BMAGIC's trusted funders, Wells Fargo, at the Convener Meeting.

BMAGIC would also appreciate feedback from the group on what went well, and what could be improved. At this time attendees shared their feelings from the event, and one of the main concerns was over how to get more media sources involved and make sure that a positive message is given to the public. After the National Night Out event this year, which was a complete success, there was a shooting right down the street and this was the only piece that made it into the news. BMAGIC would like the support of the community with this work. On the day of the event we are not able to make last minute calls to get the media involved, and we would love to have the collaborative reach out on our behalf to invite these individuals. On this topic, it was suggested that service providers in Bayview come together to develop a cohesive and coordinated media outreach plan for the community that could be used whenever there is a large scale event.

PRESENTATIONS, SITE VISITS AND COMMUNITY CALENDAR- Due to the many presentations and time given to other points on the agenda, BMAGIC chose to skip this item. However, Yvette mentioned that we will be re-instituting our presentation procedure and guidelines so that they are relevant to the group, concise and well planned out.

4. PRESENTATIONS

PARENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS- Valerie Higgins presented on the student reassignment system being implemented this year, and also gave a quick background on her organization. This change is being made to redirect racial isolation, to ensure that kids have more equal access to supplementary programming, and to make the assignments more transparent. The way that kids are enrolled will be based on application the year before they start school. The children who will have the first pick of a school include those who have a sibling already at that school or those who were enrolled in the on-site Child Development Center. There will also be a change in the A-G requirements that will affect incoming 9th graders. There will be a Board of Education meeting this week regarding transportation issues, however the new school boundaries will also most likely be released. BMAGIC will be having a retreat on September 1, 2010 with Patricia Gray and Margaret Brodtkin to discuss the changes to SFUSD and to look at how service providers can play a more active role within the system.

YEAR UP- Sasha Horwitz, who is recruiting for this wonderful program, joined the Collaborative to give basic information and answer questions. Year UP is a year-long paid internship for youth ages 18-24 years old who have either a high school diploma or GED. The program teaches critical soft business skills as well as giving participants direct experience working with a partner corporate organization such as Wells Fargo. Please contact him if you know youth who would be a good fit for this opportunity, sasha@gfpublicaffairs.com.

At this time BMAGIC closed the August Convener Meeting and sent the group off with good wishes and another thank you for hard work and support at the Back to School Event!

HOUSE KEEPING- Some organizations that attended the BMAGIC community convener meeting on 9/21/2010 may not be named in the attendance sheet above. If you do not see your organization and name listed and you were present, please inform Julia Weisner at julia@bayviewmagic.org to correct this issue. Thank you. Please remember to sign in at every meeting to avoid omission.

PLEASE SEE THE BMAGIC COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS THAT WERE MADE DURING THE MEETING.

Meeting Minutes taken by BMAGIC Scribe and Research and Program Coordinator, Julia Weisner

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