

The Learning Cornerstone
Community Advisory Committee Meeting
November 15, 2006

Attending:

Elena Antonio, Whiteriver WMAT – Education Adult Ed Program
Sonja Banyacya – NAU – Education Opportunity Center
Marlene Begay – NDWD – Greasewood Navajo Dept. Of Workforce Development
June Curtis – NDWD – Navajo Dept. of Workforce Development
Roxanne Dean – AAIC – WI Program
Heidi Fulcher – Dean – Developmental Services NPC Winslow
Sharon Macedo – Navajo/Apache Counties Work Force Partnership
Holly Nelson – WIA Navajo County
Michelle Perry – WMAHA – Resident Services
Leesa Roundy – Holbrook Head Start
Gail Sadler – WIA Navajo County
Ronald D Squire – Carl Perkins Manager
Chad Wright – Assistant to Tomie Zamora and L.A. at LCC
Tomie Zamora – Secretary to the Dean- Developmental Services NPC

Announcement:

Early Childhood Fair “Building Lifelong Foundations” will be on February 10, 2007 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Holbrook High School, co-sponsored with Holbrook School District \$40.00 tuition and course fee can earn you ½ credit. Call Claude Endfield 1-800-266-7845 ext. 7335 for more information.

NPC Report:

Heidi Fulcher – Dean, Division of Developmental Services, Winslow:

Fall enrollment is the same as the previous fall. ESL course added at Eager. Good enrollment in the grant. ABE Scholarship F06, enrolled 660 credits (187 students). Holding onto funds for Greasewood, Pinon, and Ganado – waiting for signatures and ITA from Workforce Agency. \$4500 balance can roll over to spring or summer school if necessary. Tuition is less expensive this year – keeping students at \$120 for up to 7 ½ credits.

Spring Schedule is now available. Individual listed sections for TLC enlarge schedule (7 pages). Placement is very important for developmental program (sections don't need to be listed, student should see advisor to be placed in a specific section). When referring students, please have them contact the advisor, sections and courses can be added. Only change - There is no class on Thursdays at Silvercreek. This district is lowest in ESL state programming and highest is ABE programming.

Invited to attend a Community Cooperation meeting in Pinon on Nov 16, 2006.

Want to add Dilcon classes to spring schedule– need an approval from the Dean of Instruction and Dine College.

Final ABE project report. ABE level 3 is college biggest concern. 1/3 of students place here and it is the most difficult to get a gain in this area due to the 3 grade (compared to the 2 grade) level. Also, this is the most functional – 9th grade level one can read and probably get a job or even basic college level courses. Staff development project is to raise this level. Professional development leadership academy (PDLA) is to improve these figures. Post testing is another area of focus for professional development.

Reviews of goals for next year ABE program.

We are almost caught up for our program review. We are missing a little data from the college but it should happen by the beginning of spring semester.

Navajo County WIA Report

Sharon Macedo – Navajo/Apache Counties Work Force Partnership Winslow:

2 GED certificates completed. Considering running GED plus in spring to work with in-school students during the summer. Many applications for GED testing, perhaps they can work with TLC. Showing this initiative can indicate higher success rate. Still about 2/3 enrollment, half way through the year. They have space for more students.

Member Reports

Elena Antonio – WMAT – Education Adult Ed. Program Whiteriver:

Has MOA with NPC for classes at Cibecue most clients need GED's. The clients are having a hard time getting jobs. Cibecue ESL classes are also needed. Placement testing will be held on November 30, 2006.

Sonja Banyacya – NAU Ed. Opportunity Center Holbrook:

Program has new guide lines. Have 250 case load and have reached our goal every year. Working with TLC instructors to sign up students 3 at LCC and 1 at Whiteriver. GATE is an Indian scholarship out of Colorado GED-AIGC from Albuquerque is also a good scholarship for students.

Marlene Begay – NDWD Navajo Dept. of Workforce Development Ganado:

Ganado Chapter is back. ITA's are slowly being processed. Clients need more hours per week in the classrooms.

June Curtis – NDWD – Navajo Dept. of Workforce Development Ganado:

Working with clients who need basic education classes. A \$3,500 cap per client had been placed on vocational training making it hard to help the client. Not doing co-enrollments any more. Common measures are hurting program. It is doubtful we will meet performance this year.

Roxanne Dean – AAIC – WI Program Winslow:

Redoing program, it is now an 8 week program. The processing rate has approximately a one month turnover rate. Has rent and gas/light money available but there is a month wait on the help.

Holly Nelson - WIA Navajo County Show Low:

Have clients in CNA and nursing classes.

Michelle Perry – WMAHA – Resident Services Whiteriver :

Case management with the housing authority can really benefit GED plus program and testing. Still working on an efficient tracking program. Out of 30 clients who started classes 9 were dropped by instructor, 5 of them are back in class, 8 will be taking GED test on 12/4/06. If someone does complete their GED, does NPC give a six credit scholarship?

Leesa Roundy - Head Start Holbrook:

Head Start program is looking for assistance for a parent who is ready to take the GED test but doesn't have funding. Head Start doesn't have the funds to sponsor this. A good percent of parents are drop outs that need jobs. NACOG will help for classes.

Gail Sadler – WIA Navajo County Winslow:

There are new companies in the area that are requiring GED credential; this could be a reason for the increased interest.

Ronald Squire – Carl Perkins Manager Heber:

Carl Perkins is for vocational students. 90% of students need to have a C or better grade. In math, there is opportunity to use math technology for tutoring. More thought needed to get people employed.

Next Meeting Date and Location

February 14, Wednesday

11:30-1:00

CEC Holbrook

It will be a decadent chocolate extravaganza