

The Learning Cornerstone
Community Advisory Committee Meeting
February 7, 2001

Attending:

Heidi Fulcher
Tina Hansleben
Linda John
Ginny Lewis
Rondi Moore
Sharon Oliva
Gail Sadler
Lori Singer

NPC Report:

Heidi Fulcher – NPC – Director, Division of Developmental Services, Winslow:

Willie Begay plans to have classes in Ganado Adult High School for Summer I & II. WMC is the only campus having an intersession this year. ESL classes are the only classes running 8-week session this summer.

ABE tuition balance monies were carried over from summer I and fall.

Enrollment is looking good it is probably up this semester. We have 6 or 7 classes in Kayenta.

Laurel Padilla at Whiteriver doing a great job. We have a new class there.

Angie and Willie have 11-month contracts. The program might want to eventually increase these coordinators to 12 months.

New sites are Toyei, Shungopavi, and Dennehotso. Shonto is one site we're working on. Angie will meet with them the 16th of this month. Previous Developmental Service Program review made 15 recommendations and most have been accomplished. Need someone from this committee to join.

Department of Education wants all programs to update 5 yr. plans. Last year, Northland's funding level went up over \$50,000 with 20% increase, might be more money available. State and Federal goals want extraordinary education. Class size down to 18 students with 12 hours a week minimum class time.

Coordinator for Apache needed, also someone to do data entry/ follow up on State program.

Might combine into one position.

WIA Report- things progressing well. NDWD has loaned a support staff to the Board. Joe Hale is doing good job. Youth Council has been formed. NDWD has been designated a one stop. WIA work experience position at 600 hrs @ \$5.25 youth/\$6.00 adult to start in July/August.

Member Reports:

Rondi Moore – W.I.A. – ShowLow:

Rondi willing to work on program review. Transportation and childcare programs needed.

Lorraine Singer – W.I.A. AZ Affiliation of Indian Centers, Winslow:

NACOG case management. Utility assistance monies are gone as of today. WIA, Indian Center has one-stop computer for client use. Main Winslow one-stop is at DES. Four GED students attending classes this semester. Still have slots available under the program. 4 classroom training active, with 3 available slots for full time (Native American) college students. Hourly stipend now \$2.25. Must qualify for PELL grant and we will help with book, uniform etc.

Sharon Oliva – W.I.A. – Winslow:

Program has 34 enrolled to date with 22 out-of-school, 14 carryover from JTPA '99 with 30% mandate. New case manager in Snowflake/ShowLow area will be starting February 20. Two computers have been installed in the Snowflake Center for GED adults clients. 25 clients are basic ed., 12 classroom clients, 13 work experience clients, 0 work readiness, 6 intensive training clients with 110 % enrolled.

Tina Hansleben– Child Care Resource & Referral, Flagstaff:

Took over Jean Polequaptewa job. Work for Ninos de Me Casa 20 hrs and 20 hours childcare assistance referrals in Navajo County. Interested in developing strategy for exchanging childcare. Help train DES certified providers up to \$250.00. Goal is to increase number of providers. We have provider database for this area.

Gail Sadler – W.I.A. Program Coordinator Winslow/Holbrook:

34 clients enrolled. Winslow is full, Show Low is still taking clients. Have 44 total clients with 15 in basic education. Some clients are attending NPC at NAA and at PDC. WIA buys books for them. Citizen's Utilities new program Transportation 90-day internship in-kind training with NPC the company is providing instructor from ShowLow with classes on the Internet. Most of the students are from Winslow and Holbrook very intense training. Gas money for car pool available. Must have GED for this program so increased enrollment by June 1st is expected.

Linda John – Family Assistance – Dilkon:

No Jeddito clients for Hopi Center this semester. Dilkon students are attending classes. Transportation is a need in the area. Navajo Nation Social Service positions are realigned. Increased qualification for workers. Financial assistance has only 1 worker for 9 chapters covering Greewood, Cornfiends, Tolani Lake, Birdspring, Leupp, Low Mt., Jeddito, Whitecone, and Indian Wells. There are over 250 clients on printout. There are many other clients who were not counted. Linda may be transferred. Ella Curtis will be financial assistance representative. Have been referring clients to PDC GED classes. Linda has worked for Navajo Nations Family Assistance for 25 years on Feb 12th.

Ginny Lewis – JOBS -:

Wheels to work program is gone. Transportation money will be deposited directly to quest cards starting March 1st.

**Next meeting: May 2, 2001
 1:00-3:00 MST
 Fitness Center – CEC Building
 2251 Navajo Blvd
 Holbrook, Arizona**