B.E.S.T. Minutes

Feb.12, 2015

1. Call to Order at 8:34 a.m.

2. Introductions

3. Reading and Approval of the Minutes – Jeanne Kearby

A motion was made by Georgeann Duberstein and seconded by Pete Molidor to accept the December 11, 2015 Minute. Motion carried by acclamation.

4. Treasurer’s Report – Pete Molidor

December’s monthly report was provided.. Motion was made by Dale Kehr and seconded by Wendy Warden to accept the report. Motion carried by acclamation.

5. Speaker – Megan McKenna Mejía, Executive Director of Mano a Mano Family Resource Center will be the presenter to talk about the executive order on immigration.

Megan presented a comprehensive explanation of the Executive Order for Immigration Reform. She discussed the two levels of immigration status and what the new regulations will and will not give to current residence that have immigrated to the United States. She answered several questions from the members. One of which gave clarification to current objections and possible Supreme Court decisions.

9. Without Objection, agenda item 9 was moved to allow our student speaker to give his speech so he could return to class. Two students from Grayslake North High School practiced their speeches for the American Legion Oratorical Contest. Each of the speeches were on the U.S. Constitution. Each was well received and the students did an excellent job.

6. Reports of Standing Committees

 a. By-Laws – Jim DiDonato had no update for By-Laws

 b. Membership – Wendy Warden, Chair had no update on membership

 c. Public Awareness – Georgeann Duberstein, Chair noted that notices had been sent for this meeting. Kathy Meyers reported on the upcoming radio spots for February.

 d. Special Projects – Community Empowerment Grants – Shirley Christian, Chair noted that there were two applications for the Empowerment Grants. She also noted that April 9th was the April Breakfast meeting.

7. Reports of Special Committees

 a. Kindergarten Readiness Committee – Judy Armstrong, Lead reported that there were two additional pre-K spots being added and the committee met every other month and wrote a newsletter on the months that they did not meet.

 b. Chili Supper – Kathy Myers, Lead thanked all who helped and organized the event. The Chili Supper raised $5131.00. She encouraged members to volunteer to be on the committee which will be starting in March. Please let her know.

 c. Community Calendar – Jim DiDonato, Lead reported that the Community Calendar should be ready the middle of March.

 d. Transportation – Georgeann Duberstein, Lead noted there would be a follow-up lunch meeting on June 11. The topic will be Curb to Curb Service.

 e. Community Outreach – Dale Kehr, Lead had no additional report.

 d. Food Committee – Megan McKenna Mejia reported that a structure was determined and the committee is currently puling data together. The next meeting is March 6, 1:00 p.m. at Mano A Mano

9. Next Meeting – March 12, 2015

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Georgeann Duberstein and seconded by Megan Mejia to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by acclamation.