B.E.S.T. Minutes

July 10, 2014

1. Call to Order at 8:30

2. Introductions

3. Reading and Approval of the Minutes – Jeanne Kearby

Motion was made by Judy Armstrong and seconded by Georgeann Duberstein to accept the May 8, 2014 minutes.

Approved by acclamation.

4. Treasurer’s Report – Pete Molidor

Kathy Meyers read the Treasurer’s report with a balance of 17,318.33

Motion was made by Georgeann Duberstein and seconded by Dale Kehr to accept the report.

Motion carried by acclamation.

5. Speaker – Marlon Rodas, Round Lake Area Park District

Marlon provided handouts and gave an overview of the 40 years history of the Park District. Through an engaging quiz, we were lead through the advancements and ongoing efforts of the Round Lake Park District. He also highlighted the events for the 40th Anniversary celebration.

5. Conversation – Collective Impact

Discussion was held on the problems getting information to the public on community events. Discussion lead towards the need of a central data system that could be linked to other community organizations. The Round Lake Library offered to be the central keeper of the information and suggested to get all the IT people from community organizations to try to make a seamless way to put community events on a central calendar. Jim DiDonato offered to chair the committee.

There was also a discussion on efforts to coordinate public transportation. There exists the Lake County Transportation Committee that is trying to address the public transportation in the Round Lake area. They are finding that even when transportation is available, people do not know about it. Several suggestions arose on who can assist in getting information to the public focusing on organizations that interact with families.

7. Reports of Standing Committees

 a. By-Laws – Jim DiDonato reported that the Executive Committee would review the bylaws.

 b. Membership – Wendy Warden, Chair No report at this time.

 c. Public Awareness – Georgeann Duberstein, Chair, reported sending information about meetings to churches to encourage attendance at meetings.

 d. Special Projects – Community Empowerment Grants – Shirley Christian, Chair No report at this time.

8. Reports of Special Committees

 a. Kindergarten Readiness Committee – Judy Armstrong, Lead, reported on the Another Sip event thanking the committee and Quasar Coffee for their efforts.

 b. Chili Supper – Kathy Myers, Lead, reported that the committee was making progress and the next meeting would be Monday July 14.

9. Check In

All attendees informed the body of upcoming events with their respective organizations.

10. Next Meeting – August 14, 2014

11. Adjournment was called at 10:46