

Hispanic RoundTable Meeting
September 24, 2010

Welcome & Introductions

Jose L. Diaz, Hispanic Roundtable President
Chris Campbell, Washington Federal
Michelle Dixon-Wall, Safeplace
Delfina Gayle, L & I
Maria Krautstrunk, Washington Federal
Ron Magdaleno, US Department of Labor Vets
Carmen Murphy, Hispanic Roundtable Board
Sara Peté, Olympia Timberland Regional Library, HRT Secretary
Norma Alicia Pino, The Evergreen State College
Sergio Ramirez, Olympia High School student
Olivia Salazar de Breaux, Hispanic Roundtable
Emilio Vela Jr., DBHR / Hispanic Roundtable Board

HRT Board Reports

Latino Youth Summit (LYS) planning progress

- This year's LYS will be held at The Evergreen State College for the first time.
- Our mission is to familiarize local Latino students with local and regional options for higher education.
- Summits are held at Evergreen, Centralia College, SPSCC, and Saint Martin's University.
- We're in fundraising stages at the moment and need donors.
- We serve 500 high school students from our 5 county region.
- We're having a panel instead of a motivational speaker to introduce this year's summit.
- Artwork – next year's artwork and theme will be generated by students through a contest.
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes – scholarships - \$500, \$200, and \$100.
- Emilio will coordinate a group with Theresa and Jose to go to schools and start talking with them about working with kids getting college credits in high school to help plan next year's summit.
- Jose will talk with someone from the Hispanic Women's Network (HWN) about scholarship funds.

WCAN Grant Update

- The HRT has received a \$10,000 grant.
- This is a grant opportunity for students who have signed up for the College Success foundation.
- Jose, Olivia and Theresa will meet next week to discuss grant disbursement.

HRT Vice President – Veronica Bronkema had to resign since she has moved to Seattle. At our next HRT meeting on January 21st at noon at North Thurston School District Headquarters, a new VP will be elected.

Emilio Vela – Mentoring Program

- Emilio has been working on a funding plan for the mentoring program he has been developing.
- Emilio is ready to present his plan to the board in January.

Guest Speaker

Michelle Dixon-Wall
Specialized Services Coordinator – SafePlace
La Teena youth group
-SafePlace has Spanish language volunteer trainings.
-SafePlace also has two Spanish-speaking advocates.

- The idea for the teen group began when the teenage children of members of an adult group of women began coming to group meetings.
- Michelle wrote a grant to start a teen group.
- It's not a support group. It's a violence prevention group.
- It's open to teens between 13 and 17.
- Conversations about relationships, love and healthy relationships.
- Statistics –from 18 Latina women in Thurston County
 - 14 out 18 women had experienced sexual assault.
 - 15 out of 18 women knew girls who had been assaulted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAPERS, a film about undocumented students in the United States and the challenges they face, especially in terms of higher education will be shown at SPSCC.

September 30th at SPSCC, 11 AM-2 PM and 5 PM-8PM

Contact Eileen if you'd like to have a table or booth. More information about the movie can be found at www.papersthemovie.com

Also, on October 8th there is a staff development opportunity at SPSCC on how to help students access bill 1079. It's for staff, but contact Eileen if you'd like to attend.