Hispanic Roundtable General Meeting

September 25, 2008

In Attendance:

Judith Berg - Community Member

Veronica Bronkema - Labor & Industries

Delfina Gayle - Labor & Industries

Rechele Heath - State Farm Insurance

Carmen Murphy - Hispanic Roundtable

Sara Peté - Olympia Timberland Library

Alejandro Rugarcia - SafePlace

Oliva Salazar de Breaux - South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC)

Lucila Santiago - SafePlace

John Suessman - Lacey Police Department

Eileen Yoshina - SPSCC

Welcome & Introductions

Membership

- -We need to reprint the membership brochures which costs a little under \$300.
- -We'll hold off on the printing until we know where our finances are for the Latino Youth Summit.

Website

- -The LYS registration is up online for students.
- -A page listing and thanking all of the LYS sponsors is in the works.

Mentorship Program

-Emilio Vela is working on this. He was not at the meeting to give an update.

Latino Youth Summit

- -This year's summit will be on October 29th at SPSCC form 7:30 to 2:00.
- -The registration deadline for students is October 17th.
- -We are working on getting gas vouchers for schools through community college Tech Prep funds.
- -We are still looking for more funding for the summit.
- -The lunches have not been paid for yet, they'll probably cost about \$5000.
- -The LYS is the main event for the year for the Hispanic Roundtable.

Parent Conference

- -At some point in the future the HRT would like to offer a Parent Conference as well as the Youth Summit.
- -Proyecto Mole is having a conference at the Tacoma Convention Center on October 31st and November 1st. The first day is for students (8-5) and the second day is a half day for parent.

Email list

-Alejandro let us know that he appreciates the email messages he receives through the Hispanic Roundtable email list and he resources he learns about through the list.

Presentation by Rechele Heath of State Farm Insurance

- -Rechele gave a presentation about how to effectively seek funding from corporations.
- -The presentation is attached.

Announcements

- -Maraca, a nationally known Salsa band will be performing at SPSCC on September 26th at 8:00 p.m.
- -Safeplace has a new bilingual radio program on KAOS, 89.3 FM, from 12 to 1 p.m. on Fridays. It's called "Did You Know?"
- -There are three elements to the show.
- --Information.
- --Education.
- --Music.
- -In February of 2009 Safeplace will offer a training on Domestic Violence in Spanish.
- -Safeplace is also engaging in a Mentorship Program for volunteers. They are hoping to train their volunteers so that they will be ready to take on paid positions as they become available.
- -Alejandro is now teaching Spanish classes at Lincoln Elementary School on Fridays from 5:30-7:00 and from 7:00-8:30.
- -The Olympia Timberland Library has a new bilingual librarian. He name is Jason and he works Tuesdays through Saturdays. He is willing to do library tours and Basic Computer Classes in Spanish.
- -Ursula K. Le Guin will be at the Washington Center (FREE PROGRAM) on Friday, October 10th at 7:00 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Latino Youth Summit, email Cliff Moore at: Moorecl@co.thurston.wa.us

There is a Latina Empowerment Conference at SPSCC on Saturday, October 4th from 9-2 p.m.

- -All workshops will be in Spanish and English interpretation will be available.
- -Childcare and lunch will be provided.

There is a Latino Business Expo on Sunday, October 6th in Bellevue. http://www.expolatinobusiness.com/

On Saturday the City of Lacey is hosting an Emergency Services Preparedness Training at St. Martin's University. This is a free event from 9-4 p.m.

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