

Alamosa Coalition

Minutes for June 17, 2004

Time 7:30 AM

Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2004

Present: Harry Alejo, Paula Hendricks, Sue Davis, Kris Lenker, Mike Maestas, Noah Atencio, Valarie Ruybal, Erin Smith, Julie Geiser, Clarissa Woodworth, Tom Vigil, Cathy Morin, Charlotte LeDonne, Nancy Molina, LeAnn Garcia, Mary Young, Nelda Curtiss, Bill Brooks (& Jamie).

Students who were present were Marylou Gonzales, John, Adam, Blake, Marissa Moreno, Johnny Salazar, Jeffrey Shay, Ryan and Si Se Puede students.

Facilitators: Tom Vigil, Prevention Specialist, and Clarissa Woodworth, Program Coordinator

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nelda—Newsletters being published: Que Pasa, Los Tiempos and SSAVE News. Worked with SEADS students Marylou and Alisha on website. Asked for articles from community of members.

Kris—prevention club at Adams State College has new name: Active Students for Change—did receive the Bacchus Gamma renewal grant.

Harry—discussed raid that netted 1/2 lb of cocaine with a street value of \$14,000; noted that more and more even younger children are involved, reasons could reflect on home life or lack of home life. Parents do not know where their children are.

LeAnn— While at training in Denver, she met Yellow Ribbon founders: Dale & Dar Emme.

Nancy—Valley Community Fund will have Vista volunteers. Nancy's position is organizing youth and she is looking for some collaborative opportunities.

Marylou—relay challenge hopefully will raise \$300 which is good for the Valley youth groups.

Bill Brooks—school counselor; hopes to spend time this summer with his son; plans a couple of ASIST trainings as well

Cathy—farmer's market and working with Alamosa Head Start in getting children to earn coupon's for the Farmer's Market; grant is important to promote physical activity to combat obesity and diabetes in children.

Noah—summarized media subcommittee meeting and that the subcommittee's mission is to provide public relations, input for the video, newsletter and incorporate information from the data/education committee; announced that he will be taking a new position with Daniels in Denver as of July 1.

Julie—announced that the data/education subcommittee (Julie, Clarissa, Kathy Van Giesen) also met and decided that they would share information with media committee and emphasized protective factors.

Tom—working on summer activities including horse back riding, swimming, road clean up (May), car shows, and trip to Denver. Tom answered a question that was raised about children/youth who don't have a mentoring program in their community. He noted that the program is expanding (so that there's hope for the future) and locally that Mi Animo has a waiting list.

Valarie—announced that the prevention program will now be located at OMNI and as of July 1 her new address will be: Valarie Ruybal, OMNI, 641 East Northern Ave., Pueblo, 81006. Her email will be: vruybal@omni.org

Next Meeting: August 17th at 7:30 a.m. at the SLV Mental Health Center.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 A.M.

