

CITY OF GREENBELT

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, November 30, 2010

PRESENT: ACE Members: Susan Breon, Theresa Bugg, Jon Gardner, Alla Lake, Veronica Martin-Frederick, Don Rich, Sudhanshu Sinha, Dave Whiteman, and Staff Liaison Wendy Wexler.

Minutes of October 26, 2010 were accepted as is.

SCHOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL.

Dave updates the committee that he has heard from three schools so far: Magnolia Elementary, Greenbelt Middle and Springhill Lake Elementary. Already there are 350 students who would participate and Nicole DeWald has put a limit on participating students at 80. ACE feels they must seek an alternative location. Jon will look into using the ERHS auditorium or the Community Center at a different time. Dave will speak to Greenbelt Middle School. This information will be gathered and decided on prior to December 10.

PRINCIPALS MEETING PREP – JANUARY 25.

Wendy sent out “Save The Date” emails to all the school Principals on 11/3/10. She will send out the full invitation in a couple of weeks. There was a discussion about all the additional preparation. ACE will once again offer their “heavy Hors D’oerves” to the principals as they will be coming to our meeting directly from a long day at school. The ACE members need to arrive by 6 PM to help with set up. The Principals Meeting will be from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. It will be immediately followed by a regular monthly ACE meeting. Wendy will send out sign up information to ACE members.

ACE GRANTS PROGRAM.

There was a protracted discussion among ACE members regarding the Grants. Everyone had already submitted their evaluation forms to Jon who had them all organized by individual ACE member AND the overall cumulative scores. The discussion focused on the merits of each application in terms of the clarity of the proposal, the impact on children, the value for the cost, among other criteria. Finally, difficult decisions were agreed upon. Each ACE member will take part in drafting a piece of the final report. Jon will then edit and organize that information and the report will be shared with Council.

Wendy will send Jon Council’s schedule so that we can time the completion to the schedule of their meetings.

INAUGERAL LITERACY EVENT.

Prince George's County Executive-Elect Rushern Baker is hosting this event on the eve of his Inauguration. It will take place at Greenbelt Middle School, Sunday, December 5th from 3 – 5 PM. City Council Members will be out of town and therefore ACE will try to have a strong representation at the event. Already Veronica and Laretta have indicated they plan to attend. Jon is now also able to attend. Others are going to try to be there.

ACE MATH CONTEST.

Susan has agreed that she will be the point person from ACE for this event. It is hoped that the individual schools will take on the responsibility for organizing their students, the questions and format, but ACE will act as the central point of communication and host. It is understood that this will have to take place after the MSA's are completed for the schools and will include all our area 6th graders (GES, GMS, MES and TPA). It is hoped that this event will take place at Greenbelt Middle School.

ACE CALENDAR – Please let Wendy know if you are **NOT** able to attend.

Unless noted all meetings will now take place in the Second Floor City Council Room, City Municipal Building.

December – No Meeting

1/25/11...Annual Principal's Mtg (6:30-8 PM); Monthly Mtg (8-9)

2/22.....Regular Monthly Meeting – 7 PM

3/7...ACE Educators Awards

3/22....Regular Monthly Meeting – 7 PM
