

Youth and Family Services Committee

January 8, 2010

Minutes

Attendees:

Annika Head – Coordinator, VISTA member
Karin Ward – Beaver Creek School
Don Rotta – Kiwanis
Yolanda Sprinz – Women's Civic Club, Kiwanis
Carol Nel - Kiwanis

Annika Head opened the meeting

Update on Food Bank

- date has been switched to the second Saturday of each month from 7:45 – 9:45am in the Beaver Creek School gym
- Saturday February 13th will also double as a free clothing drive sponsored by Kiwanis
- Looking to get the people attending the food bank to serve as volunteers also
- Next step: identify shut-ins that would need food to be delivered to them
 - o Utilize community to help identify them (women's civic club, adult center, Kiwanis, etc)

Update on Youth Activities

- all volunteers dealing with children at the school must now watch a training video on reporting abuse
- Key Club
 - o Black and White semi-formal on Friday January 22nd from 7:00 – 9:30pm
 - o Volunteering at Humane Society on Saturday mornings
 - o Involved in planning an all day fundraising event at the firehouse for a heart monitor
 - o Beginning to look into summer programs and internships for students
- Builder's Club
 - o Field trip to Aquaplex in Flagstaff on Saturday January 9th
 - o Starting Penny Races (put jars in classroom and class that collects the most pennies gets an ice cream party)
 - o Teaching children how to apply for scholarships to schools and internships

Update on VITA

- Free tax preparation for those earning \$49,000 or less
- Dates have been set for
 - o Wednesday February 17th from 4:00 – 7:00pm at BCS
 - o Wednesday March 3rd from 4:00 – 7:00pm at BCS
 - o Wednesday March 17th from 4:00 – 7:00pm at BCS
 - o Wednesday March 31st from 4:00 – 7:00pm at BCS
- Annika is waiting on flyers from Catholic Charities (sponsoring organization) to distribute around town

Introduction of Soccer League

- Annika would like to start a small sided leagues for boys and girls of all ages, including adults
- Looking for a group of volunteers to help organize
- Liability might be an issue when using fields on school grounds
- Next step: contact AYSA and the Verde Valley Sports Association to see if we can find a sponsoring organization