

Central Fresno Weed & Seed Strategy

Steering Committee

Minutes for Executive Meeting May 13, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Delia Garcia at 9:00 am. Roz made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Devon seconded and the minutes were accepted.

A modification for Rent that was tabled in February in the amount of \$1,324.00 will cover the necessary expenses. Roz moved to accept the modification, Sgt. Edwards seconded and the motion carried.

There is a Weed and Seed Conference July 13th thru 17th in Florida. Those attending are Sgt. Edwards and Connie Provencio, their trips to be paid by the national Weed and Seed budget and Mike Wells and Kent Pope whose trips are to be paid by Central Fresno Weed and Seed as budgeted. Roger Houghton will be a back up for the trip.

All bills that need to be paid should be submitted to United Way on Monday and completely documented. The Fresno Police Dept. fronted \$10,000.00 and the billing needs to be completely documented. Jackie mailed a bill to Carol of \$2,707.32 for April. Eleanor suggests partners with bills submit the bills a week before the meeting date so that the Executive Committee may approve according to the budget. Policy and Procedures does allow changes to be made by the Executive Committee.

Sgt. Edwards reported for the Weed Side, six sweeps were done arresting 41 gang members, three guns obtained, four drug arrests, 27 parole searches, five on probation detained and identified new gang members. The Police are working with the MAGG PIE program helping people that want to get out of gang activities, also working with neighborhood programs and the PAL program.

Connie reported for the Lowell Area. They held the 25th Health Fair with 43 organizations participating. There were 23 that went thru the medical program checking for high blood pressure and other medical problems. The Lowell Neighborhood Resource Center is available to help the area of 8 schools with children and their families along with the HERO programs.

Eleanor has submitted a report for Mid-year and will submit another report in July as required. The report she submitted in April to Ivette asking her to check and tell us of any problems that need to be improved. She is giving a form to all Partners on which they can report activities and events they have participated with other partners or have completed.

Mike has handed everyone a folder with the financial report and Site Coordinator report. Budgeted items are still in need to be redone but we are waiting for the exact amount we are to receive since the Grant Amount has been lower by the Government. The office for Central Fresno Weed and Seed is up and running in the Youth For Christ building at 1401 Divisadero. Delia gave Mike a letter of concerns of the committee. Mike went over the contents of the folder:

Calendar

Map of the Target area

Appendix

Financial Status Report

Agenda

Minutes

Committee Membership List

Delia asked Mike "Are you involved in Bringing Broken Neighborhoods back to life?" The answer was No, not anymore.

Meeting Adjourned 10:09am.