

Minutes for General Steering Committee of
March 19, 2009 Held at Youth for Christ

Delia Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm. Marian read the minutes from the meeting of February 10, 2009. Corrections to the Minutes are spelling of Greg McAllister's name. The matching funds of \$7,500.00 from the Fresno Police Department have been billed not received. The Men of Promise are looking for a Group Home in our Target area.

Eugene made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections and Pam seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The new people present were Garth from Neighborhood Thrift Store; Brad Huff of Valley Arts and Science Academy was back.

Roz was asked to tell everyone about the Community Day on April 11, 2009. She turned it over to Garth. Garth explained the event has been promoted thru the Schools. See flier.

Pam showed the Central Fresno Weed & Seed web site on her computer and explained how the calendar worked and how anyone with an event can enter it and Delia can review and approve.

Eugene Brazil invited the Committee to the 2nd Annual Green Hope Veterans Earth Day Picnic and Art Show on Saturday April 18, 2009 from 9:30 am to 2 pm. It will be held at the Roeding Park Palm Point Shelter.

Eleanor Richards, Evaluator reported she has met with several of the partners and has more to see. She spoke with Ivette in Washington DC and learned what is required to complete programs. Eleanor is collecting baseline data and needs actual percentage figures of progress. She wants to see event sign in sheets and figures for the job fair earlier today. On future events she needs all the information for the event and figures of accomplishments, redacted on names and addresses. The first evaluation report is due in July. Eleanor has a computer program showing all activities and a schedule of coming events.

Carol passed out a Financial Status Report (see attached). She is planning to move into the office rented for Central Fresno Weed and Seed Committee at the Youth for Christ center on Monday. She is picking up a check to pay for Liability Insurance for the office. There are needed changes in the budget due to the change in the Fresno Police area changes, the South-West needs supplies for block parties etc. Sergeant Edwards has not heard about this and it has to be processed thru his office. Another change that needs to be approved is moving **\$1,325.00** from travel and savings to complete the web site. Eugene Brazil made a motion to adjust the budget to cover the \$1,325.00 needed to finish the web site. John Hodges seconded and the motion was approved. Certain steps have to be followed and budget adjustments have to be approved.

Brad announced a Public Charter High School is looking for students. The school needs a minimum of 80 students coming from the 8th grade classes to open.
Meeting adjourned 7:15 pm.