

CA Collaborative for Youth Development
Meeting Notes, November 5, 2007

Meeting Participants

Bernie Davitto, Alliance/CASC
Amy Dean, Alliance/YLI
Lisa Foster, CRB/CSL
Leslie Fritz, CPRS
Jim Kooler, FNL
Stephanie Papas, CDE
Denise Miller, EDD
Gordon Sloss, CYAN

Action #1 – Introductions: Everyone introduced themselves.

Action #2 – Meeting Recorder: Stephanie recorded minutes.

Action #3 – Review and Approval of September 10, 2007 Minutes
Correction: Addition to Action Item 5: add Stephanie and Maureen to Strategic Planning Committee members; add Dan Sackheim to Standards Committee.
With corrections, the September 10, 2007 minutes were approved.

Action # 4 – Old Business: Reports from committees
Strategic Planning Committee:
Discussion regarding how our strategic plan includes how YD is useful in solving problems that people care about (i.e., foster youth, gang prevention)

Discussion items:

Discussion of "educating" v. "lobbying" and some state agencies' reluctance to participate.

Two suggested courses of action: reintroduce AB 1320 and support Darrell Steinberg's bill (SB 219 which holds schools accountable for drop out rates)

Packets given to Legislators last December – all agreed this was effective and that we should return to the Capitol.

Gordon's group is going to the Capitol on April 14th. He suggested we recruit youth to visit with us in an attempt to build a stronger base of youth.
FNL: January event at Capitol; CCYD can assist, can also acknowledge and recognize those legislators who have supported youth.

Amy recommended Bill Wittage, a guest speaker at a Rotary Club meeting on "generations."

CCYD Web site and listserve – we need to use both to push information out to public.

Amy suggested we need an aggressive communicator to e-blast people with YD-related information.

Jim shared information on the town hall meetings on underage drinking prevention, scheduled for March 2008.

Bernie proposed the idea of creating one or two paged documents that serve as information sheets on themes.

Action Items:

- Create a calendar and post activities that are YD related. Stephanie will send copy of the Year In Prevention calendar created by the Red Ribbon Coalition
- Lisa suggested the Strategic Planning Committee look at list of priorities generated in July and determine/recommend what CCYD should attempt this year. Use the list as a way to attract CCYD members to the table and to participate in meetings and committee work.
- Stephanie will send Bernie examples from Student Assistance Program (i.e., SAPs and Violence")

There was a concern that there are not enough of us (8 present at the meeting) to go forward. We need more members to conduct the follow up once the priorities are chosen by the Strategic Planning Committee.

Action #5: Meeting with Mark DeSaulnier:

Conference call held with Amy and Lisa. He wanted background on Alpert's bill to form a youth council/task force so he could introduce a similar bill. CCYD needs to suggest possible language to help him get something introduced. He liked the idea of a children's cabinet. Half the states already have a youth council (New Mexico, Maine, Washington) and they might serve as models for us to look at. Amy stated we need to show our support for DeSaulnier.

Action #6: Misc.

AB 1320 needs to be reintroduced in December/January. Amy stated the rules have changed; AB 1320 was in the wrong code section and that's why it died.

Action #7: Next meeting: January 14, 2008, 2-4pm (note date and time change)