



A Board Meeting of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was held on Thursday, March 4, 2010, at 2:00 PM, at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.

Chairman Rhodes called the meeting to order with the following members present (in person and via phone) representing a quorum:

Michael Boyle, Wilfredo Gonzalez, Kellie Jo Kilberg, Linda Myers (via phone), Bob Page and Bob Rhodes. Dr. Quint White and Ms. Elaine Brown attended as guests.

Staff: Margo Moehring, Brian Teeple, Angi Giles, Ameera Sayeed and Guy Parola

Chair Rhodes welcomed all in attendance, and asked for introductions of attendees and staff.

Minutes

Mr. Gonzalez moved approval of the minutes of the September 3, 2009 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Boyle; motion carried unanimously.

Sunshine Training

Ms. Teeple gave a brief overview of the Sunshine Law. Mr. Teeple informed the members that they are under Sunshine, and that all meetings are public, are to have minutes and be duly noticed.

Work Program Update

Ms. Moehring gave a brief summary of the Work Program to date. The Lego exercises have been finished – Staff and volunteers completed 7 County Checks and a Generation Check. All data is now being compiled. The RCI Committees have gotten to the issues and some data at this time. The Generation Check was done through organizations, which brings about more interactive discussions with interest groups (especially youth focus groups).

Education Campaign

Ms. Moehring gave out flyers and examples of how we might live differently; the message is that “we have choices”. A survey is going to be designed and posted soon.

Committee Reports

Ms. Brown, Ms. Kilberg and Dr. White gave brief updates on where their committees are at this time. Discussion followed.

Funding Update

Mr. Teeple stated that information has been taken to the NEFRC Personnel, Budget & Finance Policy Committee. The RCI is building toward a Regional Vision and toward updating the Northeast Florida Strategic Regional Policy Plan (SRPP). The PBF Committee wants additional information. \$75,000 has been dedicated toward regional visioning from the DCA contract funds. If no additional external funds are found, the burden will fall on the NEFRC to compensate. Mr. Teeple stated that this is a strategic investment, and is one of the most important public policy issues that the Council has undertaken. Discussion followed.

Membership Update

Chair Rhodes informed members that Ms. Shannon Eller of Duval County resigned and solicited the members for a new member from Duval. Chair Rhodes also asked for suggestions relating to revisions to the by-laws regarding membership terms. He also asked that the Committee chairs be added to the Board, as they have earned it.

Mr. Teeple suggested that the next meeting start earlier, perhaps at noon.

The next meeting will be the Annual meeting. The next meeting date is set for **Thursday, June 3, at 12:00 PM** at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 6850 Belfort Oaks Place, Jacksonville, Florida, 32216.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:11 PM.

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