

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CORE COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2004

The Washington 4-H Youth Development Core Committee was organized out of the efforts of the Professional Development Action Team (PDAT) to provide vision and direction to Washington youth development programs. The organizational meeting of the 4-H Core Committee was at the 2003 State 4-H Forum in Yakima. The membership was designed to include representatives from the different 4-H family constituencies. Following is the inaugural membership and their constituency:

Chula Bradshaw	Youth Volunteer
Stephanie Hiner	Youth Volunteer
Nancy Beyerlin	State Advisory Board Volunteer
Tina Anderson	State Advisory Board Volunteer
Ed Adams	ANR Program Director
Louise Parker	Family Living Program Director
Aaron Esser	NE District Representative
Lisa DeWall	SW District Representative
Chris Jackson	SE District Representative
Craig Fenske	NW District Representative
Jerry Newman	State 4-H Staff Representative
Drew Betz	Family Living Representative
Pat BoyEs	State 4-H Program Director
Linda Williams	Core Committee Recorder

After getting grounded establishing ground rules and figuring out membership and leadership we are moving into meatier kinds of discussions and decisions. Following are highlights of our discussions:

- **New 4-H Management Structure Implementation**
 - Collaboratively work with the PDAT to create templates for membership, planning, reporting and evaluation of 4-H management committees
 - At the 2004 4-H Forum conduct a training/orientation for committee members using the new 4-H Management Structure.
 - Creation of web pages on 4H.wsu.edu dedicated to communicating the work of 4-H Management Structure Committees. Joy Faerber is working to publish these pages in July.

- **4-H fee structure discussion**

4-H is not the only program talking about fee implementation. The discussion is taking place throughout WSU Extension as well as in many other states. Pat will prepare a draft proposal before the March meeting. Committee members are invited to provide input.

- **Future Core Committee meetings**
 - 4-H Core Committee is currently meeting the first Tuesday of each month via WECN.
 - **Annual Face-to-Face Meeting** - It was proposed to meet October 13 preceding 4-H Forum on the Puyallup campus. Pat suggested that it would be a logical time for the committee to attend 4-H Forum as there would be an opportunity to engage 150 volunteer staff if we choose to conduct the 4H Summit activity slated for Friday afternoon.
 - **Process for generating agenda items for Core Committee.**
 - 1) Program Days - Core Committee District Reps will share key discussion of the committee and solicit agenda items. (Fee structure proposal is slated for April Program Days.)
 - 2) Friday Update - Craig will provide summaries of each meeting for Linda Fox.
 - 3) Volunteer core - as Leaders Council meets often, perhaps the committee could get on their agenda.
 - 4) 4-H Talk - Craig will submit summary of monthly meetings
 - 5) Youth learning concerns from youth - no strategy yet, but need to ensure for more input.
 - 6) Anyone in the 4-H family is invited to submit topics for Committee discussion via any of the committee members.

The next Core Committee meeting is scheduled for March 2, 4:00 - 6:00 pm.