

Core Committee Meeting April 13, 2005

Present: Bill, Craig, Pat, Stephanie, Linda, Lisa, Jerry, Louise, Marianne, Chris, Leanne, Whitney, Aaron

Teen Recruitment to Core Committee

Pat will be attending the Teen Recruitment meeting at the Lazy FF in Ellensburg. Lisa e-mailed the Core Committee application and job description to Chris to orient Leanne and Whitney for explaining what the Core Committee does. She will also go over the Management Structure and the Strategic Plan. Pat will be doing a "Leading with Impact" training for the teen reps.

What are incentives for youth to serve on the Core Committee?

- Attend 2006 National Conference. Typically the team is geared for a state delegation that goes to Conference to create a work plan and come back to implement that plan in their state. With the revised teen leadership report, it makes sense that youth have an identified leadership role so they can carry out these work plans.

In the past any youth could apply to go to Conference - if they are not plugged into the system somewhere, then the work plan has failed to be implemented because there is no structure and no team to support their work back here in the state. Youth from the Core Committee should absolutely go to Conference as well as Advisory Board and State Fair Board youth and Ambassadors.

- Be listened to by adults in decision making
- Opportunity to meet new people
- Would be key to setting 4-H policies and creating a legacy to future 4-H youth.

Stephanie stated that it is indeed valuable to her to be included in the decision-making process and interacting with the adults.

Louise suggested the youth be given a concrete example of what the Core Committee has been working on and state the importance of having involvement with their input – the 4-H membership fees for example. Another issue could be 4-H staffing. Chris stated that it is important to be specific about time commitments. Applications need to be returned to 4-H State Office in Puyallup.

Hosting 2005 Summit

1. Town Hall Meeting
2. Hot Topics
 - Core Committee Conflict Resolution
 - Finances
 - Reporting volunteer hours

October 13th – Core Committee Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- Review Strategic Plan – Louise
- Orientation for new members
- Will build additional agenda items next meeting.

October 14 – Summit - Friday afternoon

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Linda will contact Kevin regarding a conference room and lunch.

Update on 4-H Enrollment System – Pat

While attending National Program Leaders meeting a couple of weeks ago, Cathann Cress made the announcement that 4-H at the National level, as a federal entity, has had an audit to make sure the agency is in compliance with the Federal Paperwork Reduction Act. 4-H failed. It was not documented that the Federal Report was being used. ES237 is used to establish enrollment base. Cathann has until the end of May to get a plan to the Federal Reduction Act people and get approved otherwise she will not be able to ask us for data this fall. The enrollment software Pat was considering (4H Plus) has been put on hold until Pat knows what is needed. Cathann's intention is to have a computer program designed that she is going to give to the states that will answer her federal information needs. Pat needs to ascertain what data would be required for a data base program on the state level. The Federal report will most likely require less information. Cathann is only interested in impact. Pat needs to know enrollment in specific programs for the purpose of curriculum development.

Pat asks that we think about what real data we need and what we need for the counties to do in the 4H system reporting.

Bill noted that this would be a very good opportunity for the reporting of volunteer hours. This is also the opportunity to something completely new and fresh in Washington. Bill would like to see consistency with county and state being on the same page.

Some hot topics for this software - statistics

- Impact of kids
- Urban & rural youth
- Over 30% youth of color
- Volunteer reporting hours

Jerry commented that this is a monumental shift for the program. It's a chance to make change not made in decades. Pat stated that as the Federal Report has been tweaked periodically, basically it has been the same for over the past two decades.

Other announcements

Craig hopes to have a staff development report by the May meeting. He will schedule a sub-committee meeting prior.

Our next meeting will be May 11th via telebridge.

Submitted by Linda Williams