

TEAM Westport Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2011, 7:30 AM
Room 201
Westport Town Hall, Westport, CT

Attendees: Judy Hamer, Catherine Onyemelukwe, Harold Bailey (Presiding), Steve Daniels, Bernicestine McLeod, Glenn Lau-Kee, Dolores Paoli, Patricia Wei, and Barbara Butler

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 AM.

1. The Minutes of the December 7, 2010, meeting were reviewed. Glenn moved acceptance and Dolores seconded. The Minutes were approved.

2. New Business – What’s Up?

- Steve is now President of A Better Chance/Westport;
- Cheryl Scott-Daniels was acknowledged as Realtor of the year for the state;
- Steve is working with the Baron’s South Commission;
- We discussed the Friends of TEAM Westport FaceBook page;
- A Martin Luther King Day observance will be held at the Unitarian Church on January 16th during the morning service;
- Also, in addition, the Interfaith Council’s MLK Day celebration will take place at 3 in the afternoon on January 16th at the United Methodist Church.

3. Old Business:

- Treasurer’s Report: Friends of TEAM Westport (FOTW) has received several donations and we are continuing to solicit.
 - Action:
 - Harold and Glenn and Judy will have a conversation with the Foundation that made a donation.
 - We need to form a board for FOTW.
 - Andy Boas, one of the FOTW November honorees, has offered us the opportunity to visit the Achievement First charter school in Bridgeport. We need to schedule this visit.
- Programming Strategy and Game Plan:
 - Dr. Claude Steele on January 19th at the Westport Public Library (*Whistling Vivaldi*). TEAM Westport is cosponsoring this with the Library.
 - Doug Merlino will appear at the Westport Public Library on February 3rd (*The Hustle*). TEAM Westport is also cosponsoring this with the Library.
 - A Panel Discussion and/or Community Conversation on Race as related to College Planning, Admissions, and Attendance is to be held Tuesday, April 5th, 2011, at the Westport Public Library.
 - Action: David, Patricia, and Brian will coordinate the panel for this. We would like to have PTA and school system involvement.
 - TEAM Westport Westport READS book discussion (*Zeitoun*) – date to be determined. Copies of the book will be ordered for TEAM members and will be available to be picked up in the Human Services office at Town Hall.

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- Judy mentioned the book *Micro Aggression* by Sue, who is a Psychology Professor at Columbia Teachers' College, as a must-read.
- Tim Wise might be another speaker to invite to come here (the Unitarian Church may partner).

4. Committee Reports

The Education Committee and the Marketing Committee are working with the Program Committee to frame the next Conversation on Diversity session.

The Governance Committee will meet soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernicestine E. McLeod, Secretary