

# Carbon County Partners for Progress

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Meeting Notes of May 21, 2010

**Present:** Elissa Thorne, Wayne Nothstein, Joe Guardiani, George Ashman, Debra Youngfelt, Carleen Ladden, Sharon Cimino, Jaime Drake, Jeanne Miller, Cherie Mae Santore, Barbara Franzosa

President Elissa Thorne called the meeting to order at 8:30AM. Elissa also announced that our speaker at the June meeting will be Jonathan Johnson speaking on "The Face of Carbon County," a census report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joe Guardiani reported that we received the \$435 donation from Lee Bond, as previously reported for our work on a community foundation. We have other grant money that must be spent this year. Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by Wayne Nothstein and seconded by Debra Youngfelt.

**Acceptance of Minutes:** The minutes of 4/16/10 were accepted on a motion by Joe Guardiani Second by Debra Youngfelt; 2<sup>nd</sup>; with the correction from Larissa Kimmel of Family Promise that on average, 20-30 families with children are homeless in Carbon County in any given month. Family Promise will not have day care for the children of the families served. The families will come to the Day Center to work with the director, but if day care is needed, the family will need to seek this on their own with the support of the director. Family Promise of Carbon County meets the first Thursday of the month at 7PM at Zion UCC in Lehighton.

**Correspondence:** no correspondence

**Guest Speakers: Carleen Ladden and Sharon Cimino of Leadership Carbon 2010:** Carleen and Sharon explained their project "Youth Leadership Carbon" which will occur June 14-18<sup>th</sup> and include 12 future high school juniors from the 6 school districts in Carbon County. This week long camp will start with a get acquainted party at H2000 at the Galleria, and cover Diversity, Culture and the Arts, History of each community, Law, Education and Careers, Business Start-Ups and Health Care, with a rafting trip and graduation at Memorial Hall winding up the week on Friday night. YLC will conduct a fundraiser and donate the money to charity as their project. -LC 2010 raised all the money and gathered donations for this year's YLC. PFP made a motion to donate seed money of \$250 annually for future "Youth Leadership Carbon" classes. Motion: Jeanne Miller; 2<sup>nd</sup>: George Ashman. It was suggested that the current Youth Leadership class organize the Camp for the next year as a way to keep the program going.

**Update to the Community Brochure:** Elissa reported that the brochure is almost complete and will be printed and distributed in the Times-News. We will do an on-line survey through our website to find most requested meeting time and other information and have this ready when the brochure is distributed.

**Leadership Carbon:** Next year the curriculum will be retooled. Jeanne Miller, Ron Blissard and Ann Pilcher are reinvented. We will ask school districts to send a person to LC and to our meetings.

**Health & Human Services:**

**Chamber of Commerce:**

**Business/Education:**

**Family Collaborative:** Jeanne Miller reported that early childhood collaborative received 3M in grants

**Economic & Heritage Development & Community Foundation:** no report

**Legislative Brunch:** Cherie Santore reported that the focus will be changed to those who are running for office and it will be held at a Senior Center in July or August. We must make the candidates aware of what our needs are before they start their big campaign runs. There may be pre-brunch questions to the candidates. Cost will be \$10; donating the proceeds back to the Interagency Council Scholarship Fund. Motion to support the brunch: Joe Guardiani, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Debra Youngfelt.

**Next Meeting-**June 18th at LCCC Nesquehoning Campus at 8:30AM

Meeting adjourned at 9:30AM

Respectfully Submitted by,

Barbara Fran zosa