



Afterschool Programs Consortium
Tuesday, March 13, 8:30-10:00 AM
County Office of Education Board Room

Consortium Members Present: Jean Gardner (Parent), Scott Haines (Live Oak Afterschool Program Coordinator), Diane Oyler (Child Development Resource Center Coordinator), Mark Rogers (XL Readers Program Director) and Nicole Young (Parent).

Minutes

I. Welcome and Introductions

All present were welcomed and introduced themselves.

II. Review results of Afterschool Programs Survey

Members reviewed and discussed results of survey. 14 surveys were received, representing a 38% rate of return. Although this represents a decent rate of return, having only 14 completed surveys is a relatively small group to base any conclusions on. Members noted training/technical assistance needs of the survey respondents re: needs for increased funding, staff development and retention, collaboration between programs and help with enrollment/recruiting of students. Survey results are posted to the website and can be viewed here:

<http://www.childcareplanning.org/agendas/agendas.html#afterschool>

III. Discuss options for next steps using survey results: creation of online database for parents, brochure and other possible resources.

Members discussed possibility of creating an online database of afterschool providers beginning with those programs that submitted a completed survey. However, both due to the low rate of survey completion and due to the more pressing needs of programs for networking, technical assistance and professional development opportunities, Consortium members decided to table the online database project and to focus on assisting programs in meeting their staffing and professional development needs first.

IV. Further prioritize and discuss action plan

Members discussed need to host a separate meeting to discuss the development of an afterschool programs training collaborative. Members were interested in both assisting programs in collaborating with one another in the immediate future to share professional development opportunities and also seeking outside assistance/funding to bring outside training opportunities into the county to assist programs with their various needs as mentioned in Section 2 above.

V. Afterschool Safety and Education Services (ASES) Update/Discussion

Tabled until next meeting.

VI. Set next meeting agenda. TBD

Next Meeting: May 8, 2007, 8:30 -10:30 AM, COE Board Room