

Minutes of Heart & Soul Meeting, December 14, 2017

Attendees: Steve Masson (coach), Sue Gosselin, Frankie Sawicki, Katie Sawicki, Diana Rancourt, Christine Cote, Jonah Cote, Terrie Herr

Introductions

- Tanya Sousa (new member) and Ally Howell (NEKLS) were introduced. Ally Howell spoke of a program involving family education provided by the North East Kingdom Learning Sources (NEKLS). There has been a bit of money earmarked for the Canaan area for this purpose (8 hours/week for planning and providing). They would like to work with the members of the Canaan area for family education ideas. What does Canaan need? After school? Anything that works. There is no age limit. As long as it fits in an educational setting. This is a model for future family education events. They have been awarded a one year grant and can reapply. The grant can support and enhance what is already in place. One idea mentioned at the table was that they could partner with the Town Meeting for childcare and have a program for that time period.

Review agenda – no formal approval recorded by Terrie

Previous Minutes

- Diana moved to approve; Frankie second; approved.

Next steps for Forum/Summit: *What Matters Most to Canaan?*

- We received approval for the use of the gym (Diana)
- We received permission for an “all-call” (Frankie)
- Key Club will be involved with the forum and childcare (Terrie)
- Steve shared that Leanne reviewed the previous minutes and approved of what we plan to do. She also stated that she would be willing to come to the January meeting.
- Diana will place the invitation in the Canaan newsletter
- Steve will do a write-up

Review of forum format (refer to minutes from the November 2017 meeting)

- List of groups to touch base with was reviewed and responsibilities were redistributed.
- Steve provided this in an email to the group

Review Past Discussion-Next Steps/Updates

- YouTube stories update – Terrie has no notes on this
- Upcoming Events of Note – Wassail party at the Alice Ward Library; Community Choir at the Grace Community Church; Christmas-themed play at the Tillotson Center.

Financial Update

- Diana distributed the December 2017 Financial Report
- It was noted that the second grant needed to be closed up
- Terrie moved to approve; Frankie second; approved

New Business

- Members signed a thank you card to the Colebrook Copy Center for their donation

- Due to the forum/summit, we might need to meet twice in January; the group will decide at the January 11, 2018 meeting
- January 11 meeting Lianne will be attending
- Provide an opportunity for organizations to set up tables for informational purposes at the forum?

Old Business

- No notes can be found

Minutes from Sub-Committee Meetings

- Minutes from the Network Analysis Team Meeting were reviewed

Next meeting

- January 11, 2018 at the Town Office
- Snacks are encouraged
- Terrie moved to close the meeting; Frankie 2nd; approved.