Parent Academy Ambassador Meeting

June 4, 2014

Present: Ana Roso, Latesha Boyle. Heather Greene, Elizabeth Ocasio, Sara Marrero, Susan Lugo and Dr. Ray Shocki.

Getting activity information in a timely matter is still a concern. All flyer information is given to Nancy Vaughn and she is responsible for forwarding that information to the Parent Ambassadors. Dr. Shocki provided Nancy with e-mail information for all Parent Ambassadors.

Inform Dr. Shocki of any concerns and he will address them.

WPA Website

We discussed that the website should be user friendly. The language should be at a 6th grade level so anyone can understand.

Latesha will gather information to design our website. She will visit the NYC Parent Academy Website for ideas. She will research how we can address having different languages available on the website. We also discussed having a website committee.

WPA Evaluation Survey.

We discussed what changes can be made to the survey. We all agreed that the survey was great but we can revamp it once it is in use. Dr Shocki will be updating the questions on the survey and he will bring the updated form to our next meeting.

WPA Volunteer Form

We will need many volunteers to assist with many WPA activities. We discussed making any changes to the form. A blank line will be added to the types of activities section for other activities in which a volunteer may be interested in which is not listed the form.

WPA Phone Line

Dr Shocki suggested having a WPA phone line where parents can call and speak to a live person and receive information that is education related.

Home Visits

Dr. Shocki suggested having a program where a trained individual would make a home visit to parents who may have a child that is struggling in school. These individuals would be of the same background as the family. The program will assist parents in finding community resources and help reinforce what the teacher needs from the child at school. The teachers will inform the parent that this program is available to them and referred them.

Advertising for the WPA

Possible ways we can advertise the program would be having a segment or show on the Waterbury Education Channel or Public Action Channel and speaking about what our organization offers.

Liz will research how we can contact Channel 3 and possibly having Scot Haney tell his audience about our events.

Sara will be researching how we can contact Channel 8 and possibly doing the same.

Governance Council

Sara will update us at the next meeting if she has been able to speak to her contact about having the WPA on the Agenda at the next conference.

Dr Shocki will speak to Gladys Wright and Linda Riddick about possibly having the WPA on their agenda at one of a Parent Liason meeting.

Ideas for the next Grant Proposal

Remind 101

Website Development

Home Visits

Iris Alert

TV Show Segment