

Early Awareness Committee Meeting 8/12 9:30 – 11:30 at ITT Technical Institute

Members Present:

Murphy Cannon
Hannah Chan
Gail Montgomery
Tracy Stokes-Hernandez
Emily Johnson
Kari Zakariasen
Amanda Ziebell-Finley

Notes:

The Committee has received approval from MAFAA as of Friday August 7th.

- Members of the committee need to be a paid 09-10 MAFAA member.
- \$7,953.88 grant approval from GLHEC.

KCC

- Possibility that Greg Reed from St. Paul College will not be able to be on the committee, Could he possibly serve as just a liaison between our committee and the college? Gail will try to contact Colleen Thorton to see if she would be available.
- Are there any other colleges that might be able to host the event in St. Paul? Maybe Metro State, Century, Augsburg
- Judging = October 26th, St Paul Event = Oct 27th, Mpls Event = Oct 28th
- Photo Release form needs to be created, Tracy will email to everyone.
- Ideas for a Key Note speaker
 - Tou Ger is too expensive now.
 - Can only afford to pay about \$400 per event for a speaker.
 - Need someone that went to college, overcame obstacles, inspiring success stories.
 - Possible Vikings connection with Susan Neppl at GLHEC (Hannah)
 - Twins/Timberwolves connection for possible free gifts for the kids (Murphy)
 - Article in the Pioneer Press on a Lynx player (Tracy)
 - Interactive play called “Power to the 8th” on transitioning from 8th grade to high school (Amanda and Emily)
- Kari will update the school handouts by the end of August, make it more appealing to the kids
- Stephen will contact St Paul schools, Hannah will contact Mpls schools
- Start the Mpls event at 10:30 this year to accommodate for bus schedules
- Will not be using Anwaton since MASFAA is having an event with them
- Get Ready could cover the bus costs for the Get Ready schools involved in the KCC event, help to save on our budget.
- Murphy will look into the idea of creating a short informational video (YouTube) on what we are looking for with the entries along with some examples.
- Tracy will check on using logos for handouts, to see if we can use Great Lakes backpacks, or Get Ready pencils/pens/water bottles.

Next Meetings are now TBD.

