

FUND69 Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2006

In attendance: Annie Uchtman, Laura Williams, David Donegan, Terri Lefler, Angelica Studer, Gil Poppenhagen, Debbie Rizki, Alina Dellota, Dr. Rebecca Nelson, Mylinda LaPaglia, Renee Miller, Dominique Shemroske, Kathy Zipperer, Cathy Crawford, Patrick Lezark

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm.

Minutes

The minutes from the general meeting on 8/9/06 were distributed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from this meeting without any corrections. It was carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Terri read an update from late August from Donna Seitzer, the art teacher at Lincoln, regarding the "We Are" project. The symbols are all completed and will be hung in the halls of Lincoln this fall. They look great! Ms. Seitzer has found a way to involve even more students in this project by having groups of them work to define the words *Peace, Unity, Culture, and Respect* which eventually will be stenciled by each of the four symbols. We would like to get an official FUND69 picture with Ms. Seitzer and the work for publicity purposes.

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

1. Walk-a-thon Committee Updates
 - A. *Registration* – As of tonight, 139 individuals are registered to walk on Saturday. Angelica still has more forms to process so this is not the final number. We hope to have many more participants register on the day of the event.
 - B. *Raffle* – We have obtained many donations, including many, many things donated by teachers from all three schools. The committee will be putting out a number of prizes on the tables at the walk-a-thon, and may make a list of some of the other items. "Waitress" aprons have been obtained for the ticket sellers to wear. We will also have money to make change. A number of volunteers are needed to sell tickets and to make sure that the directions for ticket purchase and raffle winners are made clear. There will be many teacher volunteers who will help sell tickets. Cathy has a sign of all business donors as well as the teacher donations. We will want to use easels to display some of these signs; Debbie Rizki offered to let us use some from some Madison classrooms. The committee will also generate a list of teacher prize winners to send to the teacher representatives so that the teachers know.
 - C. *Food* – Everything is basically all set. Dominique and Kathy were able to purchase small yogurts this week, so we will need to keep ice in coolers or large buckets to keep these chilled, as well as the juice boxes and water bottles. We will need to buy ice on Saturday morning. Dominique also requested that everyone bring any serving baskets they may have at home in case we need them as well as any extra plastic knives.
 - D. *T-shirts and posters* – The shirts are being printed and will be bright yellow with blue writing. The appropriate business logos from last year were used for the back of the shirt. The winning design was submitted by Jeremy Sands, a 4th grader at Edison. An announcement was already made by Mrs. Zinni on the PA system at Edison. The other

designs submissions are currently hanging up at the other school buildings but will be collected again so that we may display them on Saturday. Posters have also been hung in those downtown Skokie businesses on Lincoln and Oakton.

- E. *Publicity* – Eileen Rapoport was able to get an article in the Skokie Review last week. She is hopeful that Nick Katz will have a longer article on the foundation in the paper also. She also expects a short article in the Chicago Tribune tomorrow! We are still trying to see if we may be able to get a photographer from the Review to come on Saturday. The mayors of both Skokie and Morton Grove will be invited.
- F. *Set-up* – The drumming group has requested two parking spots near the blacktop so that they may easily unload their equipment. We will use safety cones to save spots off of the Madison driveway. Mylinda expects to have 3-4 tents available. The proposed lay-out was briefly reviewed, but will be adjusted as needed on that day. Annie will purchase balloons for use at the tables.

New Business

1. Crossing Guards

Based on the route, we will need 6 crossing guards at specific intersections to ensure that walkers cross with the flow of traffic. Crossing guards cannot physically stop the traffic. Laura will e-mail Therese to see if we can have a Lincoln teacher crossing guard by that school. All crossing guards should have their own cell phones. There will be one contact number (Annie's cell phone) for them to call in case of an emergency.

2. School Tables

We probably do not need tables at either Edison or Lincoln since the route will not be taking the walkers directly by those buildings. Therefore, teacher volunteers to sit at school table(s) will also not be needed. Rather, teacher volunteers may be recruited to be crossing guards.

3. Easels

We will want to have a food sponsor poster (Annie has the list, she will create a poster to display on an easel and Dave will announce their names). We will also be using three easels for the raffle.

4. Runners

To ensure that the runners are grouped together, we will allow them to start the route first. An announcement will be made for the runners to begin the route.

Open Forum

Alina reported that Jann Corday, one of the Edison Grand Marshals, will not be able to attend the walk-a-thon, and that Lynn Peterson would prefer to keep a low profile at the event, although it is okay if her name is announced as one of the Grand Marshals. Dogs will not be allowed at the event.

Next meeting dates:

- All Walk-a-thon Volunteer Meeting – Thursday, 8/31, 7:30 pm
- FUND69 General Meeting – Wednesday, 10/11, 7:30 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.