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Summary
Disproportionate Minority Contact meeting
April 25, 2005 10 a.m. to 12 noon
Iowa Communications Network

The Disproportionate Minority Contact Committee met April 25, 2005 at 10 a.m. on the ICN. Members present by site: Des Moines -- Natalie Anderson, Natalie Lee, John-Paul Chaisson-Cardenas, John Spinks. Cedar Falls -- Mike Leiber, Sara Pedersen. Iowa City—Debbie Black, Miriam Landsman, Brad Richardson. Sioux City -- Marchelle Denker. Fort Dodge—Charles Clayton. Davenport -- Devon Binion, Miguel Trevino. Summary of the last meeting was approved as mailed.

Joint Latino and DMC Conference

John-Paul Chaisson Cardenas, on behalf of the Division of Latino Affairs, proposed that a joint conference be held with the Latino Conference and the DMC Conference. The dates selected are October 27, 28, 29. The Latino Conference is a three-day event. Hotel arrangements are made with the Fort Des Moines Hotel. Discussion centered around the meeting site being at the Pappajohn Center. Conferees could register for one or both. DMC could meet on Thursday and link with the Latino Conference on Friday. The Fort Des Moines Hotel will accommodate 300 people. Richardson suggested that it be a one-day event. Landsman cautioned that splitting expenses might be a problem. ***Pedersen moved that the council move forward on working out the logistics to hold a one day DMC Conference with the Latino Conference, seconded by Spinks. The motion passed unanimously.***

Recruitment

Kuker and Leiber reviewed the names of members who have not attended meetings regularly and asked for suggestions from committee members for names of potential participants. Kuker noted that this committee does not have representation from law enforcement, (although Mark Prosser is a good participant) or judges, neighborhood activists, no one from Council Bluffs or Dubuque, new local DMC coordinators should be invited. With that listing, the committee came forth with several names of people who might be invited. It was suggested that half of the meetings be held on the ICN.

Next meeting date and agenda

The next meeting will be on the ICN on Friday, May 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Agenda will be to construct the makeup of the Conference.

Since there was remaining ICN time, the committee began discussing some possibilities for themes for the conference. Richardson will put in TA requests as soon as possible for the conference.

Last year's theme was juvenile court, we began addressing child welfare and juvenile justice. Prior year we had community work with a national perspective on what people were doing at local sites. The first one hosted Ernestine Gray, a judge; the Multnomah County experience, and John McCain.

Other topics suggested:

linking education, child welfare and juvenile justice.

kids psychological experiences when they have been confined, effects of adolescent institutionalization coming from youth.

Law enforcement and local community involvement could be addressed.

Race and gender.

Juvenile Court

Immigration

Education—policies that contribute to DMC.

SRO's referrals

Keynoter to speak on education—policies, practices, services in schools for court-involved kids.

Education system policies in place to contribute to DMC.

Gangs

Next meeting May 20, 2005.