Community Engagement Committee Minutes

May 6, 2011

Present: Anita Kostecki, Cathy Violette, Kate O’Dell, Karrie Brown

Due to time constraints, the agenda was deferred, and we addressed on-going planning for the committee. Anita and Kate will meet with Julia Johnson to continue this discussion related to optimizing committee leadership, systematic data-gathering, and website utilization. Anita and Cathy are working with the Worcester Perinatal M/M committee related to their new initiative of outreach to local African churches, and Kate will facilitate data gathering to help them understand past initiatives of which this committee is aware, in an effort to avoid duplication if it is unnecessary.

1. Website progress/review format/generate content ideas—
   Population of the site* (speaking/outreach activities)
   Local sponsored organizations-calendar
   Food Bank
   Abby’s House
   Dress for Success
   Girls Inc
   Boys and Girls Club

2. Community outreach kit progress
   Used x 2—Girls Inc, and African Health Fair

3. Survey results—Cathy V.

3. Student involvement/Front desk project:
   Survey results

4. African Women’s Health Fair (April 3) follow-up
   UHAI

5. Jane Kimani’s nomination as a Champion of Excellence

6. Old Business
   a. Dress for Success Fundraiser*
   b. GLBT Seniors movie (diversity committee)*
      Postpartum wellness classes at the YWCA (in News and Views)

7. Upcoming
   a. UHAI medical mission trip
   b. Abby’s House 35th Anniversary Concert: Natalie Cole, Thursday June 9, 2011 7:30 pm at Hanover or Direct Donations
c. Worcester ½ marathon benefits Children’s Medical Center Sunday June 5