



Minutes of The Alliance Meeting held Monday, July 10, 2017, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, George Woods Star Institute, 517 North Zenith

- I. Call to Order – Shannon Spencer called the meeting to order.
- II. Minutes of June 5, 2017 – there were no corrections and will be placed on the web page.
- III. Membership Report – Shannon Spencer reported that there were five (5) new members this month.
- IV. Projects of The Alliance and Alliance Partners:
 - A. Chapman-Hill Neighborhood Clean up – Dianna Thomas reported they are planning a neighborhood clean-up for July 22, 8:00a to Noon, at 101 Coronado Drive, and lunch will be served. Volunteers are needed in order for this to be a successful clean-up. Roll-offs will be provided by the City of Lubbock.
 - B. Youth Leadership Program in 79403 Zip Code – Sam Van Sluyters with Children’s Connection, Inc., 806-745-7995 or 800-456-4862, reported they received a grant from StarCare for the 79403 Zip Code to provide leadership training for kids between the ages of 10 to 17 who live or go to school in that zip code. Schools in this zip code are Estacado High School, Dunbar Middle School, Wright Elementary, Alderson Elementary, Roosevelt High School, Roosevelt Elementary & Middle School, Rise Academy Charter School and Talkington School for Young Women Leaders. The goal of this grant is to catch kids before they head down the wrong path. Events are being planned that will be fun and incorporate a little leadership training mixed in, i.e. how to shake hands, eye contact, written and oral skills.
 - C. East Side Arts Camp – Jared Strange reported the East Side Arts Camp has 44 kids registered from Alderson, Erwin, Hodges and Hardwell. The camp will be July 31 through August 4, 9:00a to 2:00p, at LHUCA. The neighborhood mural this year will be at Guadalupe-Parkway Sommerville Center. The art work of the camp kids will be displayed at First Friday Art Trail, August 4, 6:00p to 9:00p. Last year, about 200 people turned out for this event.
 - D. The Bridge of Lubbock – Whitney Owen reported The Bridge will have its Back-to-School give-away on August 19, 9:00a to 12:00P, at The Bridge. They will be giving away uniforms, back packs, school supplies, and they are in need of collaborating partners. If interested, call Whitney at 940-923-5595 or email her at wowen@thebridgeoflubbock.org.
- V. Other Items not on the Agenda:
 - A. Art Expo – Chiemsee Holder with Guadalupe Economic Services reported a pop-up art expo is being planned for September 9 at 500 E. Broadway. This expo is part of a Cliffhouse Project with a long-term goal of revitalizing property. Future plans include an East Lubbock Garden & Arts Center with community gardens, etc. You can learn more about this project at bcliffhouseproject@gmail.com.
 - B. NAACP Meeting – Leon Williams reported there will be an NAACP Meeting at Liferun, 8240 Boston, 11:00a to 1:00p, on Saturday, July 15. Dues to join NAACP are \$30 a year.
 - C. Leadership Symposium – the Volunteer Center is having a Leadership Symposium at the Civic Center on September 27.
 - D. Phea Boys and Girls Club – Margaret Randle is concerned for the safety of the kids at the Phea Boys and Girls Club due to the large prairie dog holes in and around the area surrounding the building. It was suggested to look to the owner or a board member to address this situation.
- VI. Upcoming Events of the Alliance & Alliance Partners
 - A. ELPN Event – Megan McCrory introduced Scott Bourland, ELPN Assistant Operations Manager for ELPN, to the group. She reported ELPN is planning its 2nd Annual Keeping the Promise picnic party on Friday, July 28, 5:00p to 7:30p, at the new South Plains Food Bank. There will be fun, food and prizes and everything is free.

- B. National Night Out/Mae Simmons Community & Senior Center Ribbon Cutting – Shameca Wilson reported that a ribbon-cutting for the newly renovated Mae Simmons Community and Senior Center is being planned in conjunction with National Night Out on August 1, 5:30p to 8:30p, with lots of food and games going on in both buildings. There will also be provider booths and other activities. If you would like to participate in the event, contact Shameca at 806-767-2700 or swilson@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us or A J McCleod at 806-335-5159 or amccleod@starcarelubbock.org.
 - C. Principals/Administrators Reception – Vernita Woods-Holmes reported there will be a reception for principals and administrators on August 23, 6:30p at Estacado High School. A save-the-date should go out to ELCA members soon.
 - D. Paint the E-Side Blue – Brandi Ivey reported in the absence of A J McCleod regarding the activities planned for the 3rd Annual Paint the E-Side Blue event. This event will be held September 20, 6:00p to 8:00p at the Wells Fargo Amphitheatre. There will be provider booths, along with Estacado Athletes, Band, West Texas Dancing Raiderettes, City Officials, Entertainment, Balloon Release and staff recognition. It was noted that a clean-up crew will need to be appointed to help with cleaning up after the event. We are also looking into t-shirts for this event and possibly partnering with Advance Graphics.
- VII. Next Meeting – August 7, 2017, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, 517 N. Zenith.