

Hawthorne Municipal Alliance Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2011

Present: Chris Connelly, Charlene Elvin (AA to Mayor Goldberg), Mayor Richard Goldberg, Joanne J. Graziano, Councilman Dominic Mele, Robert Mooney: Superintendent of Schools, Lorraine Powell, Jayne Ten Kate

Called to Order: 4:05 pm

Chairperson Joanne Graziano asked for a moment of silence for Marcus Ruta. She also welcomed new Committee member Chris Connelly.

Topics Addressed:

- **Fourth Quarterly Report** – Mrs. Powell updated all members on the fourth quarterly report and stated that this is the final report for the year 2010. All monies were spent accordingly except for the \$2,000.00 expenditure from the Holiday Night account which was returned to the state due to a clerical error.
- **New Budget 2011** – Mrs. Powell presented the proposed 2011 budget with certain line items being changed. These line items are as follows: Prevention Plus/St. Anthony's, Hawthorne Board of Recreation, and Alliance Coordinator. These line items are up for discussion and revisions will be made as needed. This will be further discussed at the March 1 meeting.
- As a point of information, Mrs. Powell informed the Alliance Committee members that our budget amount had been reduced due to the fact that the Paterson Municipal Alliance will be participating as part of the County Alliances and funding needs to be appropriated in order for it to be in operation. Each Alliance within the county had certain monies taken away so that the Paterson Municipal Alliance could get off the ground.
- **Swearing-In Committee Members** – Mayor Rich Goldberg swore-in Lorraine Powell to another term as an Alliance member since she is the Municipal Coordinator for the Hawthorne School District. As of this date (February 1) all but five members of the Alliance Committee have been sworn-in.

- **Teen Summit** – Mrs. Powell informed the Committee that our peer leaders attended a Substance Abuse Prevention Program at William Paterson University. This program is coordinated through the Executive County Superintendent’s Office, as well as the County Alliance. Much information was given out and will be distributed to all parties involved.
- **Spring Senior Citizen Activity** – Mrs. Powell informed the Committee that our next event for senior citizens will be Thursday, April 28, 2011 at Hawthorne High School. The seniors will be invited for dinner and the High School Production of Oklahoma. This event is always well-attended and always well-received by our senior citizens. All Committee members are invited to attend.
- **February Meeting Date Change** – Ms. Graziano requested that our February meeting date be changed because the scheduled date of February 23 is during Winter Recess for the School District. It was proposed that the Committee meet twice in March with this date being changed to March 1 and later in the month to March 23. All agreed to this change.
- **Future Initiatives** – Some new initiatives were discussed and will be looked into such as an Arts Festival, taking place at the high school, our students showing off their musical talents by performing in a concert, and recruiting new members through the news media and networking.
- With no other business coming before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.