

High School Committee Team Meeting
August 26, 2014

Members Present: Jed Oppenheim, Dr. Freddrick Murray, Tameka Garrett, Rolanda Alexander, Stephen Brown, Bridget Young Townsend, Carolyn Jolivette, Deyanna Jenkins, and Brenda Jackson

Guest: Layla Fitzgerald and Africa Morris

Meeting commenced at 9:05 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

Career Exploration Fair

- 15-20 sponsors signed up
- ATT sponsorship check
- JPS vendor letter
- Still recruiting and looking for naming sponsors
- Reducing cost at the JCC with Beau
- JPS logistics
 - The students will rotate every hour
 - 100 Volunteers secured from the JROTC

Update on Community Meetings

Community Meetings were scheduled all over the city and only four people showed up to the meetings. We are not operating effectively as a team.

Will there be any more community meetings? Yes, the next community is Sept 4, 2014 at the MS e-Center to discuss the Career Fair.

We have been in the community talking about AJ and had tables at the COJ back to school event, New Hope Church Event, Friday forums, and JPS freshman orientations

MacBook Update/Community Engagement

- MacBook-teacher distribution Sept 20th- 2 weeks of training and then 1 pilot school
- AJ committee members can attend the JPS Meet the Mac meetings
- Alignment Jackson T-shirts
- Sherwin is working on a video to support the career fair
- That branding will be important to the people in Jackson. When they see the career fair and the academies they can associate this with Alignment Jackson: Radio spots, Friday night football games, digital billboards, bumper stickers, and church bulletins
- We can get the word out by passing out flyers at carpool time and get on some PTA meetings agendas at the middle and high schools
- Jed will talk to the lead of the PTA committee/get information to PTA presidents

How are we reaching out to board of directors?

We have structured this where the governing board members are reaching out to the top 25 companies and the chamber is working on the cluster sponsorship.

ITP responses

Academies of Jackson/Career Exploration Fair

Get2College

- Stephen-we will conduct workshops for getting students ready for college, ACT prep classes, tracking GPA, involvement and participation, and personality test
- Rolanda will work with Get2College on their exhibit with Stacey from Get2College

Do you all want to work at all 7 HS? How will you schedule two schools if they want to meet at the same time? We have staff members to support all 7 high schools

PPS has also spoken with GET2College about helping parents

Motion to approve ITP- Dr. Murray made a motion to approve the ITP response and the second motion was made by Layla Fitzgerald

Committee approved

Jackson Legal Association

- Job shadowing for the legal profession
- We can leverage their support
- Identify a group of students interested in law
- JPS already has mock trials in some of the high schools
- In the future representatives who respond to the ITP need to attend the AJ High school meetings

Motion to approve ITP response- Rolanda made a motion to approve the ITP response and the second motion made by Dr. Murray.

Committee approved

Alpha Phi Alpha

- What curriculum are they using?
- How are the books selected?
- Meeting dates and times of the schools
- Data
- How many students are you planning on serving?
- Have you worked in these schools before?

Table this and invite Mr. Spears to the meeting

Revise the ITP form

Additional information needed

Ole Miss School Pharmacy

- The chaperones are willing to provide some professional development
- Sponsor a career academy
- Timeframe activity

Motion for ITP response- Jed made a motion to approve the ITP response and Layla made the second motion. Committee approved

Flynn Design

- Volunteers needed to work with her
- Does she have any other staff members?
- The response should be for the Academies of Jackson instead of the Career Exploration Fair
- How do we keep this paperless?

Additional information/clarification needed

Meeting Adjourned at 10:45 a.m./Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 23, 2014

