

**OAKLAND MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE  
MEETING MINUTES  
10/5/09  
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**Members in Attendance**

J. Tauber, Chair <u>  X  </u>	C. Visconti, Council <u>  X  </u>	G. Clark, TOPS <u>  X  </u>
Heights PTO <u>      </u>	T. Kersting, IHHS <u>  X  </u>	J. Collins, IHHS <u>  X  </u>
N. Busker, Ponds <u>  X  </u>	P. Schad, public <u>  X  </u>	J. Smith, Manito PTO <u>      </u>
E. Kasper, OPD <u>      </u>	J. Nies, Rec Sec <u>  X  </u>	Dogwood PTO <u>      </u>
M. Piercy, OPD <u>  X  </u>	J. Megin, VMS <u>  X  </u>	S Wagoner, Rec <u>      </u>
VMS Guid/Coun <u>      </u>	L. Knox, IHHS PTO <u>  X  </u>	

**Please note that there were no representatives from Dogwood, Manito or Heights Parent Teacher organizations. .**

Also in attendance were: Kathy Scarpelli, Wyckoff MA, Janis Ing Strauss, Franklin Lakes MA.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jack Tauber at 12:08 PM. with a quorum of members in attendance.

Joe Collins introduced Sarah McGowan, administrative intern at Indian Hills High School.

**Quarterly Report Review**

Jack Tauber reported that he has not been able to submit the required quarterly report because the purchase order for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance still has not been signed (please see 9/14/09 minutes for details). Jack noted that the uncashed check is still at Borough Hall and stated again that there will be no approval of funds for this year's dance until the completed proper paperwork is submitted to the proper person at Borough Hall. Copies of the completed paperwork can be taken to Borough Hall and given to Sue Isenmen or Jim Megan who can process the paperwork and provide the check.

Jack reminded the members that it is important to provide "in kind" and "cash match" details when providing the paperwork on completed programs. The County requires a 25% cash match and a 75% in-kind match. The program managers need to keep track of volunteer hours used in planning and implementing programs as well as venues used and out-of-pocket costs. Each volunteer hour spent is charged as \$25/hour. Venues are charged at \$100/hour. These charges are part of the in-kind match.. That is why this information is very important and needs to be included in the report.

## **Review Modification (Reallocation) Report**

Jack also reported that he submitted a modification form to move money around to cover Heroes and Cool Kids. \$916 was transferred from Family Management, \$146 was transferred from Seniors Programs, and \$638 was transferred from Elementary Schools Programs.

## **Review In Progress Programs**

### **Heroes and Cool Kids**

Glenn Clark reported that he is meeting this coming Friday with the High School SAC Counselors and the Vice-Principals of the three middle schools and the people from Heroes and Cool Kids. They are on track for having the first training in November and then planning the first middle school visit before the end of the year. Then there would be a second training in January followed by middle school visits and another training in March followed by a middle school visit after that.

Kathy Scarpelli of Wyckoff M A said she would not have her part of the funding available until 2010. Oakland and Franklin Lakes will have funds available before that, so those towns can make the first two installment payments.

### **Defining Moments-Seniors**

Jack Tauber reported that this program is scheduled for October 13 and 20 at the Oakland Senior Building. There is space enough for 25 people. If all of the slots are not filled, Jack will let the other towns know.

### **2009 Funds Remaining**

Jack reported that there is approximately \$2,000 left to spend in 2009 (more if the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance check is not cashed). Any organization that is interested in having a program funded by OMA must turn in a completed request at or before the November meeting to get funding approved.

Lorraine Knox asked Janis Ing Strauss if she had gotten in contact with the Jesse's Journey people. Janis left a message but did not get a return call; she will try again. Lorraine said she is very interested in running that program again at IHHS and will provide a completed request for this program.

Jack also mentioned that the TNT Leadership Program had been submitted too late to get into the regular budget, so the program was funded by the OMA Trust Fund.

Kathy Scarpelli submitted a request for funding, \$1,000, from OMA for a Parent Program to be held at Ramapo High School on October 20 at 7 PM. The author of [A Nation of Wimps](#) will speak to parents about managing expectations and preparing teenagers for independence after high school. The lecture will be 45 minutes with extension Q & A afterwards. The members voted to support the funding request. Kathy will e-mail the flyers for this program to Judy Nies to will distribute it to the OMA membership for distribution to

their groups. Kathy will also provide Jack Tauber with a mailing address for the speaker so Jack can mail a P.O. to be signed prior to the program.

### **Review 2010 Funds Availability and Requests for Funding**

Jack reported that we should be getting \$10,000+ from the County for 2010 (6% reduction from last year). Jack needs to develop a list of programs for support for 2010.

**Action needed:** If your organization wishes to have a program funded by OMA, you **must** provide the name of that program in written form at or before the November, 2009 meeting for inclusion in Jack's report. The exact amount of funding is not necessary at this time.

Jack also noted that he is concerned that there has not been representation from any Oakland elementary Parent-Teacher organization at OMA meetings so far this school year. He made it very clear that if these organizations are not going to attend the meetings, they will not get funding from the OMA.

### **Open Comments and Suggestions**

Chris Visconti said he would announce and promote any programs at the Oakland Council Meetings. Please provide him written information ahead of time.

**Next meeting date: Monday, November 2, 2009, noon, RIH Conference Room**  
**Adjournment:**

With no other business to discuss, Jack Tauber closed the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted: 10/5/09  
Judy Nies  
Recording Secretary