



Meeting Notes

January 4, 2012, 3:00-4:00 pm

Every other Wednesdays, monthly

David Douglas High School – Room 117

1001 SE 135th Ave.

Portland, OR 97233



**EAST PORTLAND
ACTION PLAN**

The mission of the Youth Sub-committee is to bring the voice of youth into the advocacy process, while advocating for East Portland's fair share of resources and support for our young people, schools and providers.

Present

Marie M., Melissa P., Bonnie L., Isabel M., Mary L., Xiao L., Ella T., Olga B., Nancy V., Megan B., Julie B., Ethan A.

Recap of EPAP meeting

Melissa presented the proposal to give stipends to two Youth Leaders per three months and we were approved! We were also approved for funds to get TriMet bus/MAX tickets.

Youth Leadership

Applications were distributed and are due next meeting (01/18). Each candidate will also present their answers to the whole group next meeting.

What do we want to see more of in East Portland for youth?

- Intramural sports
- Jobs for youth

Priority project: Teen Center

- Casual, lounge-like atmosphere
- A place for mentors and/or tutors
- Has accessible resources (i.e. job listings, volunteer opportunities)
- Drug-free

- Has games
- Has food—weekly dinner
- A place to make connections
- A place with no peer pressure

How do we get the funding?

- Hold fundraisers
- Get sponsors
- Rent a space instead of building one

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January 18, 2012, 3:00-4:00 pm

Present

Marie M., Melissa P., Megan B., Mary L., Bonnie L., Isabel M., Xiao L., Ethan A., Ameena A., Garrett, Rebecca

Meeting relocation

In an effort to broaden our reach and include youth from other parts of East Portland, we are looking to change our meeting location to either Midland Library or East Portland Community Center. Melissa and Marie M. to update everyone when the change happens.

Youth Leadership Candidate Presentations

Presentations will be moved to next meeting since not everyone who expressed interest in applying was present.

Youth Community Action Grants Program

The Youth Planning Program is putting out Youth Community Action Grants-- \$10,000 is available for community-based projects initiated, designed and run by youth 21 and under. This Grants Program will provide up to \$1,000 to youth or youth groups who want to take action that makes *Our Bill of Rights: Children + Youth* and Portland's community vision a reality.

We want to apply for this grant in hopes that it will help realize our dream of a Teen Center. We are required to attend ONE workshop in order to apply. Many people at the meeting said February 4th at Midland Library from 2-4 pm works for them. (Everyone isn't required to attend, but anyone is more than welcome to: If you plan on attending or need

transportation, let Melissa or Marie know by the next meeting, Feb. 1st.)
Applications are due Feb. 9th.

Priority Project: Teen Center

Several members of the subcommittee have voiced that establishing a teen center would take lots of time and money. We think that having “floating teen nights”—themed teen nights that would move around East Portland—would be a great way to demonstrate the need for youth to have a teen center. We are thinking of using the money from the Youth Action Grant to fund these ‘floating teen nights.’

Watershed Project

Garrett and Rebecca from the Community Watershed Stewardship Program shared information about their grants program. Everyone seemed really interested and excited about pursuing a student-based garden at David Douglas HS. This would be a great first project—Garrett and Rebecca suggested that we apply for the \$300 mini grant for a small garden at DDHS.

Next steps:

- Rebecca will e-mail Marie M. for more info
- Who will be responsible for what?
- Get permission from principal/maintenance

Reminders

- If you are planning to run for East PDX Youth! Leader, please make sure to have your application ready by our meeting on Feb. 1st.
- We will be discussing the teen center and teen nights more in depth next meeting. Bring your ideas!

Next Meeting

February 1, 2012, 3:00-4:00 pm

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