

WEST COUNTY COMMUNITY TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES
April 21, 1998

Meeting was held at the Chestnut Street YMCA, Room 201 and began at 7:00 p.m. Arnita Gadson, EJP2 Coordinator facilitated the meeting.

ITEM: Environmental Information on the Internet

ACTION:

- Arnita introduced Jim Livers, an environmental engineer, who will be working to help people access environmental information on the Internet. He talked about the new web site from the Environmental Defense Fund, *The Chemical Scorecard* (<http://www.edf.org>). The site contains data from 1991 to 1997 on chemical industries throughout the United States. Visitors to the site can enter a zip code, company name, or view a map denoting industries in the area. Mr. Livers will be concentrating on retrieving this information on Rubbertown industries and reformatting so everyone can understand it.
- Bob Bottom has a new web site about Rubbertown issues. His web address is <http://members.aol.com/ecotopic/frameset1.html>

ITEM: Budget

ACTION:

- Arnita went over the budget for the EJP2 grant, section by section. Briefly, the following areas of the grant's budget and what they cover:
 - Faculty:* Tom Lyons, School of Public Administration
 - P and A (Professional and Administrative):* Salaries for Arnita, Cam Metcalf (Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center Director), and Russ Barnett (KIESD Director)
 - Classified Wages:* Covers Pat's clerical work for the WCTF and a student through KIESD
 - Overtime:* Pay to cover attending WCTF meetings and doing the minutes
 - Pool:* What's left over from other salaries
 - Operating expenses:* office, supplies, copying, phone costs, catering, instructional materials, etc.
 - Contractual expenses:* radio program costs
 - Rent:* Vans used for Secretary Bickford's visit of the Rubbertown neighborhoods
 - Registration fees:* Registration fee for WCTF members who attended the Lexington Non-Point Source Conference
 - Books:* Books selected by the WCTF for the Environmental Information library
 - Overhead:*
 - Cost share:* Amount of indirect funds that go to the University of Louisville to cover costs of housing and running departments involved with the WCTF
- Each month a copy of the latest budget report will be available. If ready, budget report will go out with the minutes. If not, they will be available at the monthly WCTF meetings.

- A six-month extension of the grant has been requested since no spending began until eight months after the grant was awarded.

ITEM: State funding awarded

ACTION: Senator Gerald Neal wants a budget for how the \$350,000 in state funding is going to spent. The West County Task Force has 60 days to submit a budget to him. Of the \$350,000, \$50,000 will be going to Rev. Louis Coleman's environmental group. Discussion ensued as to how the money will be spent. Arnita said there will be a subcommittee formed to decide the budget, and she will be calling WCTF members to serve.

ITEM: Grant update EJP2

ACTION: The grant has been submitted. Everything WCTF members requested was included in the proposal. She handed out copies of the grant and went over the sections of the proposal. Briefly, the proposal defines the community, the WCTF, the Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center and the Kentucky Institute for the Environment and Sustainable Development and their roles in the proposal. Lays out the strategies for accomplishing the grant activities. Members of the Task Force should read the grant proposal carefully and voice any concerns to Arnita.

ITEM: Recruitment

ACTION: Patricia Germany volunteered to head up the WCTF recruitment efforts. If the Task Force hopes to become a 501(C3) non-profit organization there will have to be strong community support, including representatives from each of the neighborhoods. Currently, not every neighborhood has an active representative on the Task Force.

ITEM: Action Agenda

ACTION: Concern was expressed that the Action Agenda may need to be revised, with possible re-prioritization of items. Volunteers are needed to serve on a subcommittee for this task.

PLEASE NOTE: Next WCTF meeting will be held at the LOUISVILLE URBAN LEAGUE, 1535 WEST BROADWAY at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
