

PRI Steering Committee

Meeting Notes

March 27, 2014

1:00-2:30pm

*Bringing the power of our collective knowledge and energy together to prevent and reduce poverty by **Inspiring, Advocating, and Connecting** through convening and incubation.*

Project Reports (1:10-1:20pm)

- TCAPS Mentoring program – Mentoring breakfast scheduled for May 7, at 7:30 am
- Poverty Simulations – Set for Sept. 19th at the Hagerty Center. Promotion will be added to NMC's Lifelong Learning series.

Next Month: TCAPS Mentoring program will be featured

2014 Transition Plan

- Steve Wade will meet with each PRI Event group to talk about future needs and direction. There are enough funds to pay for 2014 programs but need financial planning beyond that.
- PRI is exploring the possibility of paying for a coordinator to assist with logistics
- PRI will also be looking to recruit a Treasurer to manage budget needs
- Jim Moore has agreed to convene the Steering Committee until other leader(s) are identified or a different leadership model is decided upon

Convening a conversation(s) that Inspires, Advocates and Connects

- Steering discussed Jobs/Training as an issue to address through community conversations
- Sakura will convene a small group to map out ideas about how to proceed and bring back recommendations to Steering on April 24 for further conversation
- Steering ideas included:
 - Need for funding on the job training; helping agencies be better informed on job readiness resources that are available for their customers; hear from people in poverty about the barriers to employment; find business champions who support their workforce that can talk to other businesses; have a better understanding of affordability; connect with the 5 to 1 program to support parents as wage earners.
 - A two pronged approach was suggested that included 1) engaging the public (including people in poverty) and 2) engaging businesses – B2B conversations

Meeting dates

Jim Moore will send out a poll to look at setting a new meeting date and time for Steering.