

La Plata County Thrive! Living Wage Coalition Meeting and Potluck Dinner
Wednesday July 23, 2014 5:30 PM
UUFDF Fellowship Hall 419 San Juan Drive, Durango

Present: Marsha, Betty, Mia, Maureen

5:30 – 6:00 Updates:

- Mo discussed recalculation of the LW (to \$12.40 for an individual) with Region 9 EDD to include the elements we discussed at last meeting. Donna Graves, the financial person at Region 9 agreed and was going to discuss with the board.
- Community Health Advisory Council. Mo met on July 8 with ED, Patti Adler, who will discuss endorsement with their board.
- Volunteers of America. Mo met with Sarada Leavenworth, ED, on July 18. She will
 - discuss endorsement with board
 - would like to be certified as a LW employer, setting a model for other non-profits
 - volunteered to test the TERP forms **send forms to Sarada, Kirk and Dear to review forms**
 - suggested we get an intern through the sociology Dept at FLC (Mo sent email July 20 to Becky Clausen who coordinates intern program)
- **Paul booth graphic designer at FLC**
- Website – Tom writing message for email.
- Local First Story Page

upcoming...

- Caring Communities Coalition, Aug meeting – Betty will present on Thrive! **Aug 7? Get new brochures**
- Thrive! invited by the Sustainability Alliance of the SW to attend “Green Drinks”, a networking group Aug 4 at 5:30 PM at the Discovery Museum. Please let Mo know if you plan to attend (903-0957). – Jenny Pritchard
- Aug 26 meeting with Community Benefits Committee at MRMC

6:00 – 6:30 Pot Luck Dinner – Please bring a dish to share

6:30 – 7:30 Planning

- Paid Staff for TERP Program? **\$15/hr Grants**
- Endorsements –The Thrive! Living Wage Principle “Anyone working full time should be paid a living wage”
- Outreach
 - Bayfield, Ignacio & Durango Farmers Market
 - Pine River Shares
 - Aug 17 Picnic Marsha, Jenny. Betty – grill, tables. Stigma of specifying for less than living wage workers.
- Strategic Planning:
 - Website Launch – Tom writing blurb, will send out by email . Need event on website

- Articles – Ron Garst on Min Wage. Mo on Beyond the Minimum wage: the living wage movement. . Tino Sorona on what La Plata County would look like if everyone earned a living.
- TERP Launch, media coverage – Labor Day? Local First, BID
- Revise Brochure
- Labor day something??????