

**BOUND BROOK/SOUTH BOUND BROOK  
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE/YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION  
No Child Left Behind: Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Community Act**

January 28, 2010 Meeting Minutes

In attendance were Janeen Kinney, Eric Harris, Rich Meinsen, Vince Petti, Joyce Smith, Cindy Britt, Monica Duarte and Maria Strada.

A motion was made by Eric Harris to approve the minutes from the 11/19/2009 meeting. The motion was seconded by Joyce Smith.

Janeen provided the Alliance report. She stated that the allotments will be the same as they were last year but there will be more strict budgeting requirements in terms of how we spend the money. Janeen completed the budget report and submitted it but could not account for \$1.50 of the funding. We should get feedback back in a few weeks.

Cindy Britt provided the County YSC report. She stated they are waiting on the Freeholders for final approval of the budget for next funding year but expects that the competitive and annual grants will be the same. Decisions should be made by March 2010 for September 2010.

Janeen asked Eric if the Hispanic Support Group can provide counseling to other than ESL students. He said that they could accommodate other minorities in need of this type of group.

Janeen informed the group about the STOP program which is scheduled to do a presentation at Smalley School on March 12, 2010. STOP consists of high school students from Somerville who perform skits about topics such as sexting, bullying, peer pressure, etc. They are very powerful and they provide the program for free as it is paid for through the Branchburg Alliance.

Janeen also announced that the "Every 15-minutes" program will run once again at the high school this year in May 2010.

The BB website has changed recently and Cindy Tierney is asking that people email her with upcoming announcements and activities so that she can include them on the website. Her email is [ctierney@boundbrook-nj.org](mailto:ctierney@boundbrook-nj.org).

Janeen also distributed the meeting dates and list of current members to everyone.

Rich reported that things have been quite in South Bound Brook.

Eric Harris – no report.

Maria Strada – no report.

Joyce Smith reported that Maria from Middle Earth did a presentation for the Ministerium and that members of the Ministerium would like to visit the Bound Brook

Center. She also explained that there will be an exhibit at the church about the revolutionary war. The exhibit will run for 2 weeks beginning on 2/13/2010. The church is also celebrating the return of a couple that recently returned from an overseas mission.

Girls on the Run will be starting soon in SBB.

Vinnie reported that the Brook theatre recently re-opened and that they are planning many events. The Elks took on 30 new members and want to become a strong presence in the community once again. They focus on supporting kids and veterans with handicaps. The Moose Lodge focuses more support on youth who do not have families.

Janeen reminded everyone to keep track of their expenditures for quarterly reporting. She explained to Rich that DARE has \$1000 to spend and this amount is split 50/50 with BB. It must be spent through 2010.

The next meeting will be held on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 3pm at the SBB trailer.