

March 21, 2006 Meeting of the
Board of Stand Out Youth, Inc.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM.

Present: Ernie Lee, Leo Monroe, Marianne Brouillette, Jason Parrish, Holland Morgan,
Sarah Holmes, Larry Brown, D. Cordero

Absent: Suzanne Aiken, Patricia Coberly, Nev Kraguljevic, Jamie Maury, F. Richter

Minutes: There was a motion to accept the February 2006 Minutes as prepared by
Board Secretary with necessary amendment to correct gender reference for Nev, p. 1.
It was seconded and a vote taken. The motion carried.

There was a motion to accept the agenda as presented by Board President. It was
seconded, then voted on, and the motion carried.

Item 1 – Financial report: Marianne reported the current checking account balance as
\$2111.23.

– Grants: Southern Partners Grant - The first disbursement is expected later in
March or early in April.

Item 2 – Review & chart objectives from January 2006 retreat: Leo read proposed
guidelines that the committees should use in their charting of objects. This guide
was prepared by Trish and forwarded to Leo prior to the meeting. Copies of the
guidelines were made available.

Item 3 – Program Coordinator report by Larry:

*The number of youth participants reached 6 youths one week in March.

*Phone activity: Average number of calls per week is 1-2 calls, still consisting of general questions such as directions to meeting space.

*Outreach: Connect Savannah is not responding to requests to update Stand Out Youth, Inc.'s contact and meeting information.

*The scheduling of topics and facilitators continues to appear on the website.

*A March news article was submitted to FCN for inclusion in the FCN newsletter. The article summarizes Stand Out Youth's weekly group activities.

Item 4 – Technology/web expansion committee report by Jason

*Federico has been consulting with the committee about expansion options.

*Altering the current logo is in process. Samples of proposed logos were presented.

The board provided feedback. There was an agreement not to use familiar symbols associated with the GLBTQ community, e.g. the rainbow and triangle. It was decided to get feedback from the youth. Larry will present the sample logos to the youth.

*Ernie urged members not to print/publish the samples out of concerns of the artist's design credit. Ernie suggested having the samples marked "SM" for Service Mark (a mark used to distinguish services from each other).

*Per Ernie, Stand Out Youth's current web administrator says that there is room on the site to add to it/expand it. Leo will add Federico to the board's list of contacts and put him in contact with the current web administrator.

Item 5 – Youth at Risk Conference: Sarah reported that she participated in the conference and received inquiries from persons living in Warner Robbins, GA for information on Stand Out Youth, Inc. She provided her business card.

*Sarah also presented her final draft of the interim report for the Gamma Mu Grant.

Upon the board's review, it was agreed that she could submit the report under her signature on behalf of the organization.

Item 6 – Facilitators & Facilities committee report by Leo

*Leo identified that the committee continues to refine/formulate a process of applying or expressing interest in serving as a facilitator. A position description for a facilitator would be developed within three months.

*About a location, Larry reported that his efforts to scout for rental costs revealed monthly lease amounts of \$700.00 or more. Leo asked if the Senior Citizens building had any vacant suites/offices, based on a previous suggestion of the building by Ernie. Ernie responded yes, and board members toured the available office space.

*One feedback comment came from Holland, who asked if a gay or gay friendly realtor might donate office space. Ernie expressed concern that a private landlord might choose to not renew future leases if he has the opportunity to lease at market rate.

*Ernie will confirm with the Senior Citizens Building's board the availability of specific office space and costs.

Item 7 – Development & Fundraising committee by DJ

*Committee had not met, but DJ reported that the owner of Wright Square Café remains willing to donate use of the café's patio area for an event. Ernie suggested that Stand Out Youth uses the facility for launching the expanded website. It was suggested that in scheduling the event, caution be taken to not schedule it on the same date as a citywide event.

*DJ also reported that he has been in contact with several employee teams/groups within his employment organization and hopes to take advantage of possible funding support through them.

Item 8 – Other Business

*Ernie encouraged the development of a Friends of Stand Out Youth, Inc. list. Several board members referenced access to their professional organizations' membership lists. Leo asked about the best way to compile the various names. Jason will check with Federico on establishing a Microsoft Access database.

Next board meeting will be at Ernie's office space, April 18, 2006, 7:15 PM.

With there being no more business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to close the meeting. A vote was taken. Motion carried. The meeting closed at 8:45 PM.

Dated this the 21st day of March, 2006.

Leo J. Monroe
Secretary of the Corporation