

Family, Friends and Neighbors Steering Committee Call Notes January 19, 2006

Attendance: Donna Harris-Aikens, Eva Marie Shivers, Lynne Betts, Rena Rice, Elizabeth Iris Rivera, Toni Porter, Mary Beth Salomone, Althea Barnes, Jill Bailey, Dawn Ramsburg, Rae Anderson

Debrief on NAFFNCC 2005 Meeting

- Excellent forum for kith and kin practitioners
- Enjoyed panels
- More time for discussion would be appreciated

Reactions to the 2005 Meeting

- Reviewed tallies from the participant interest form:
 - Everyone wanted to continue having the national meeting
 - 68% of participants were okay with a registration fee
 - 48% of participants thought that there should be proposals for presentations
 - 38% of participants thought that there should be a key note presentation
 - 68% of participants thought that the meeting should be longer than one day – most thought a day and a half
 - Among other comments were requests for a listserv, continuing to link with another conference, more time for research, and the distribution of materials before the conference.
- Surprised that people want the meeting to be longer
- Want it to more in depth
- Push for it to not be attached to another meeting
 - Concerns about programs' budgets and whether people can afford to come to the NAFFNCC meeting if it weren't attached to another meeting
 - Maybe attach it to NAEYC
- There should a focus on all three sections

Operationalize committees

- Two co-chairs for each committee
- Every co-chair will be on the steering committee, plus 2 co-chairs for the steering committee
- Publications committee: Will be responsible for selecting one or two articles monthly or bi-monthly (whichever the committee decides) to be posted on the website, and perhaps a e-journal. Articles will represent both the research and policy aspects of family, friend and neighbor care
 - Donna Harris-Aikens (co-chair)
- Meeting planning committee: Will be responsible for the logistics regarding the national NAFFNCC meeting
 - Mary Beth Salomone
- Research committee:
 - Dawn Ramsburg (co-chair)
 - Eva Marie Shivers (co-chair)
 - Donna Harris-Aikens

- Website committee:
Mary Beth Salomone
- Steering committee

The next call will be Thursday, February 16 at 1:00 p.m. EST.