

**Asset Building in Our Community (ABC)  
BOARD MINUTES for 9/9/08**

Opening & Prayer: Jan  
Agenda: Facilitated by Roger  
Present: Jan, Roger, Mike, Mary, Dianne, Dee, Gary, Claudia, Ed, Ron, Bob, Tracy & Anastasia

Took time to reflect on last years accomplishments, and this year's possibilities. Roger thinks 2008-09 will be our "*watershed year*," and has been in contact with some new prospective Board members. Claudia suggests we make our presence known by "going where the kids are," such as ballgames. All seem encouraged and upbeat!

"Community Room" proposal: Ron has been active in pursuing this idea, and we need to act on it. Doug Mulkey (college student, friend of Karen's) attended earlier Board meeting, strongly supporting the need for "listeners." Roger argues it will be key to accessing the student, and assisting the student to access community assets, including "on-site" mentors, tutors, "rap" groups & media resources.

Roger moved & Ron seconded the priority to begin this pilot in one of the ERPS this year (by January, 2009). Discussion. Motion passed. Sub-committee formed: Karen, Jan, Ron, Tracy, Anastasia & Roger, and will meet next Saturday.

Social Security Scandals will be held on 12/13 & 14 (both 2 PM matinees), and major opportunity to be a fund-raiser (ABC receives 60% of the proceeds). Roger will be the temporary contact with the director, with Karen likely to assume liaison role. During intermission, we can promote our Resource Room & need for tutors, mentors, resource advocates, and hobbyists (to share their passion).

Dee suggests we have a light interim lunch at FUMER before the "Woman's Chorus" performance, that same Saturday. Jan will look into changing their time to 5 PM, so as not to compete with the Scandals event (2-3:30). We may be able to recruit volunteers also at the light lunch. Promote both events at Senior Center (Swiss dinner).

Ed is sending an application for a Grant for ABC, to help with costs. Next meeting (9/25) will be a joint meeting with ERASE. Exciting!