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Network Minutes February 17, 2006

Agenda

- 8:30 AM** **Welcome and Announcements**
- 9:00 AM** **Taskforces revise strategic goals and objectives and begin to prepare outcome statements**
- 10:00 AM** **Update on New Britain Middle School Youth Initiative-
Dave Davison, President of American Savings
Foundation**

Welcome & Announcements

Rosaida Morales Rosario, Consultant, welcomed everyone and reviewed potential staff development workshops coming up. She also shared information regarding the legislative bills that were pending and the need for network members to let their state representatives know of their importance to the youth of New Britain. A lively discussion ensued triggered by Dave Davison's concern for a more comprehensive network approach to advocacy. The following action steps were approved by the Network members:

1. Taskforce convenes meetings with key legislators (invite them to meet network)
2. Send out a draft network letter of support for bills
3. Create a model which each organization could send on their own

Additionally, participants present at the meeting indicated they would send their own letters as private citizens.

Goals and Objectives

The network then reviewed the work that they had completed on draft goals and objectives. The consultant then shared feedback on each taskforce work and asked them to break up into their taskforce groups. See attachment for work completed thus far.

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Update on American Savings Middle School Youth Initiative

Dave Davison, President of the American Savings Foundation welcomed everyone and gave a brief update on the status of the American Savings Middle School Youth Initiative. He shared that the foundation had received several letters of intent and that he and Maria Sanchez were meeting with each organization separately to discuss their potential projects. Organizations would then be asked to submit a more complete proposal in the next few weeks. He also introduced Nelson Monroe, technical assistant trainer for the Initiative. Nelson spoke about the trainings he had conducted thus far and invited all Network members to attend future trainings.

Next Meeting:

**March 17th, 2006
8:30 AM to 10:30 AM
ITBD Building**

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