

## **Minutes of the Meeting of November 19, 2008**

Members present: Nancy Brent, Angie Alvarez, Eveline Rivers, Rebecca Bybee, Phyllis Cook, Dorrane Grimes (guest), Louise Ross, Mike Bellah, Pam Kinnan, Jason Norman, Tony Salazar, Yolanda Salazar (guest), Janice Joyner, Donna Moore, Stephanie Kordas, Enid Bates, Myrna Raffkind, Lynda Barksdale, Debby Carey, Moselle Ford, April Sessler, Danita McAnally, Dr. Mike Bellah.

Nancy Brent announced that Myrna Raffkind was awarded the Beta Sigma Phi Woman of the Year. Myrna stated she has enjoyed serving on the ASP Community Advisory Committee and has met a student through the program. She has been named Godmother for that student's new baby.

Nancy introduced everyone to Dorrane Grimes, new committee member replacing Phyllis Cook. Dorrane is the coordinator of the FIT program at Panhandle Community Services.

Nancy reviewed the October and November reports for the Adult Students Program that are submitted monthly to the Advising Department. Spring registration began November 10. Awarding has been more difficult this semester due to registration.

Some students have requested assistance through the ASP Christmas Adopt-A-Students program. Members could review and choose a student to adopt.

Phyllis Cook reported the increase in the budget for Panhandle Community Services. They are also working on a grant for additional assistance. She explained the services will provide additional transportation assistance. PCS is also assisting residents living at Coronado Acres.

Eveline Rivers reported that an eagle scout made a request to build a new building for the Sunshine Cottage. It will be a four bedroom, two bathroom home. Since November 5, 2008 - 3,500 to 4,000 children have been outfitted with winter coats. She expressed a continued need for coats for children.

Myrna Raffkind announced the presentation of a PAPA Program beginning December 10. There will be 14 one-hour segments.

Pam Kinnan attended a conference regarding minors as parents. Several changes were discussed including a minor parent can now have a DNA test without cost.