

Minutes of the Meeting of March 11, 2009

Members present: Nancy Brent, Angie Alvarez, Cherie Clifton, Lynn White Lowe, Glendda Cook, Louise Ross, Peggy Bruckner, Myrna Raffkind, Pam Kinnan, Jim Pond, Eveline Rivers, Donna Moore, Rebecca Bybee, Enid Bates.

Nancy Brent announced that the annual Adult Students Program Spring Banquet is March 27, 2009. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers to help decorate for the banquet. Nancy also asked for volunteers who might like to be greeters welcoming guests. This year's banquet will be dedicated to Ida Mae Gorsline. Myrna Raffkind asked who funds the banquet. Nancy replied that the banquet has been funded from the Student Activities Development funds for the past four years. Donations made at the banquet will be used for student scholarships.

The Book Fair will be Tuesday, April 7 and Wednesday, April 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers who would like to work at the sale. Book donations are being accepted. Proceeds from the book sale are used for student scholarships. Any books left after the sale are donated to a charity.

Peggy Bruckner inquired about the success rate of students receiving assistance from the Adult Students Program. Nancy stated there is an 81% retention rate between the fall and spring semesters., while the college rate is 70%.

Cherie Clifton stated that there are student success stories on the AC home page on the computer.

Glendda Cook asked if any scholarship program needed help to reach the \$10,000 level to be endowed. Nancy replied that no scholarship needs help reaching the endowment level, but the Adult Students Assistance Fund always needs help. Scholarship award amounts next year will be much less than in previous years due to the economy.

Eveline Rivers announced that beginning in December of this year, there will be girls from the Sunshine Cottage graduating each semester for six semesters. The girls have an overall GPA average of 3.2. She also related a success story of a male student in the Adult Students Program. He is currently in the Wind Energy program and is doing very well.

Nancy announced that the Adult Students Program will not be partnering with the ACE program next year in the book lending program. It is hoped that in the future we will be able to do this again.