

Good Beginnings Alliance  
 Board Meeting  
 Wednesday, October 28, 2009, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm  
 HCAP Conference Room

<b>BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b>	
<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Jean Johnson - President Terry Lock - Vice President Gregg Yamanaka - Treasurer, Business Lynn Cabato - Secretary Susan Smith for Frank Ranger - Kaua`i Louise Iwaishi Dana Davidson, PhD Lisa Uyehara KeriAnn Osada Liz Stone Todd Nitta Sharon Taba	Debi Amaral - Maui Sue Entz – Hawai`i Kanoë Naone Na`oi Yuen Frank Ranger – Kaua`i
<b>GBA STAFF</b>	
Liz Chun – Executive Director Lloyd Kaneshige - CFO Kit Wynkoop	

Meeting called to order at 11:36am

- 7/17/09 minutes approval
  - Moved by Sharon Taba
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lynn Cabato
  - Approved unanimously
- September 19 was a Strategic Planning Session. No minutes will be provided. The Strategic Plan will be available.
- Financials
  - Healthy cash flow status
  - Accounts earning little interest
  - Deferred 2 years of Kellogg grant to liability section
    - May show up as revenue
  - Income statement
    - Going according to plan

- Already stated above
    - Most of donations for CYD
  - Expenses
    - Large amount due to CYD and economic summit
  - Children & Youth Day
    - Discussed continued involvement
    - Be involved but not maintain fiscal responsibility
    - Sharon to work with Liz to approach Sen. Chun Oakland
    - Dana Davidson moved to recommend that GBA removes itself from fiscal responsibility and work to find an alternative fiscal agent for CYD
      - Terry Lock seconds
      - Approved unanimously
- Economic Summit and next steps
  - Business round table will bring back Rob Dugger
  - QRIS – philanthropic community interested in pursuing this in Hawaii
  - Different people thought different things in the agenda were not necessary
  - iClicker was a success
  - Will pursue funding from PEW
    - must have pre-K or home visiting initiative to access their funding
  - Some members of the Board met with Bill Bentley after summit
    - Suggests GBA to have a stronger role
      - dual platform – comprehensive: health, safety in addition to education
    - Possible role and name change for GBA bi-line
      - Hawaii’s voice for all children
      - Save to vote at next board meeting. Chun will mail proposal to all Board members.
  - Will summarize commitment cards for board
- Committee reports
  - Governance – Sharon Taba
    - Community Links governance training
    - Committee recommends GBA establish a whistle blower policy
    - Recommends to establish a record destruction policy
    - Governance committee to meet as needed only
    - Committee will conduct an evaluation of the Director
      - Board evaluation
      - Staff evaluation
  - Resource & Development – Gregg Yamanaka
    - Reviewed financials in detail and set objectives for next 3 months in advocacy and public education targeting business community in EC intervention
      - Asked VOICES to send us materials
    - Still need to identify funding opportunities
    - Starting with public education on Kauai next week
  - Communities of Practice – Terry Lock

- Not yet met
  - Clarify purpose
    - Everything other than governance and resource & development
      - What is it we're going to do with kids? What are the needs? What should we be doing with QRIS? Etc.
    - Chun will send DHS report to Terry
    - Report impact of what is being done
- Update on Status of Children and Services in Hawaii
  - Programs for our youngest and most vulnerable children have been reduced or eliminated
  - Check full board is on Keiki Focus distribution
  - Add Summit attendees to Keiki Focus distribution
  - Hawaii has moved from prevention to deficit model
  - Grassroots advocacy needed
  - Need Board members with public relations expertise
  - Invitation to board to suggest people to fill open board slots
  - Create process for what is needed – developmental model is missing
    - 5 step process to get to best practice
  - Want to collaborate and work with ELC and others to develop what needs to be done now for children
    - Call together all relevant orgs for young children – broad coalition to work in a concerted coordinated effort
    - Tom Denell from UH – organizational development
    - Need to put together a strategic plan
    - EC community needs to speak with one voice
      - What are the first 5 priorities?
        - Restoration of cuts?
        - Institution of programs for 4yo?
      - Have to build for the future
      - Identify leaders
    - Tap into parents/care givers and HAIS – grassroots, pediatricians
    - EC doesn't deliver voters; doesn't give funding to political candidates; doesn't have data on how EC effects the communities
    - Add advocacy info/how-to on GBA website
    - Need to ensure legislators they are not single focused on EC issue
    - Propose to board for a special meeting on 11/20/09 9am to discuss creating a coalition and action plan for the next year. Discuss how to issue invites to groups to join coalition
    - Propose request for funds for QRIS and tying it in with research components
  - Suggested benchmarks
    - Establish formal working relationship with Hawaii Business Roundtable to support early childhood investment.
      - Shall GBA be named in legislation to be on the ELC?

- Discussion on whether Act 14 should be amended to include GBA as a member. Discussion was tabled pending any formal action from ELC
- Establish a Speakers Bureau (5-7 leaders) of business, union, and philanthropic leaders who would be ready to speak to public about need for early childhood investment.
- Submit to Head Start application for \$500,000 in funding for a State Advisory Council.
- Early Learning Council adopts a framework and plan for upcoming work.
- Hawaii Child Outcomes are adopted.
- Funding plan for GBA is adopted
- Annual meeting is planned.
  - Combine economic summit with GBA annual meeting to use as a fundraiser/advocacy effort?

Next meeting: January 20, 2010; 11:30am – 1:30pm; location TBA

Meeting adjourned at 1:27pm