

**Louisiana State Bar Association
Community Action Committee Meeting
12:00 p.m. ♦ Monday, September 14, 2009
Bar Center ♦ New Orleans**

I. Call to Order –CAC Chair Gina Campo called the CAC meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Committee- Members participating in the meeting introduced themselves.

Gina Campo	Monique Gougisha	Jessica Guinn
Alona Croteau	JoAnn Nixon	Heather Angelico
Lauren Delery	Jeffrey Riggs	John Van Robichaux, Jr.
Karen Sher	Charlotte Livingston	Hon. Terri Love
Tina C. White	Juanita Marino	Curt Rome
Sheva Sims	Rebecca Urrutia	Jessica Hayes

LSBA Liaison, Kelly W. Ponder

LSBA Communications Assistant, Krystal L. Bellanger

III. New Business

Gina Campo explained that this meeting was to discuss the upcoming 2009 Secret Santa Project

A. 13th Annual Secret Santa Project (December 2009)

1) Number of Children/Agencies

The committee agreed to sponsor the agencies that the project was helping prior to expanding statewide due to limited participation across the state. This year's Secret Santa Project will include 10 agencies:

- a. Boys Hope Girls Hope
- b. El YoYo Bilingual Head Start
- c. CASA of New Orleans
- d. JEFFCAP Head Start
- e. Children's Bureau

- f. Methodist Home for Children
- g. Children's Special Health Services (New Orleans)
- h. Metropolitan Battered Women's Shelter
- i. Southeast Spouse Abuse Program
- j. St. Mark's Community Center (AWESOME GIRLS)

2) Age Limit

The Committee agreed not to set a new age limit. The Secret Santa Project will continue to accept teenagers up the eighteen years of age.

3) Wish Lists/Secret Santa Form

The committee decided that it may be beneficial to revamp the Secret Santa Wish List Form as well as the Secret Santa volunteer form. The new wish list form will have two separate sections to fill out. There will be one section for children's ages 12 and under and a second section for children's ages 12 to 18. The new Secret Santa Sponsor form will have a section where sponsors can request certain ages. Krystal and Kelly will work on the form and send to the committee for comments prior to the form going out to the agencies on September 28, 2009.

4) Agency Liaisons

The following committee members volunteered to be agency liaisons:

Gina Campo/Co-Liaison Heather Angelico: Children's Special Health Services

Alona Croteau/Co-Liaison Joann Nixon: Boys Hope Girls Hope

Juanita Marino: El YoYo Bilingual Head Start

Jessica Hayes: CASA of New Orleans

Rebecca Urrutia/Co-Liaison Charlotte Livingston: Children's Bureau

Tina Crawford White: St. Mark's Community Center

Hon. Terri Love: JEFFCAP Head Start

Karen Sher: Methodist Home for Children

Krystal Bellanger: Metropolitan Battered Women's Shelter and Southeast Spouse Abuse

5) Secret Santa Dates and Deadlines

Gina Campo gave briefly went over dates for the Secret Santa Project.

- a.) Monday, Sept. 28, 2009- Letters to Agencies
- b.) Friday, Oct. 16, 2009 – Wish Lists Due @4:30 p.m. (LSBA)
- c.) Wednesday, Nov. 4th@5:00 p.m. – SS Packet Stuffing Party
- d.) Wed., Dec. 2, 2009- Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009 – Gift Drop-Off
- e.) Thurs., Dec. 10–Friday, Dec. 11, 2009-Agency Pickup

IV. Next Meeting

A. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in conjunction with the Secret Santa Packet Party on **Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.** Food and Drinks will be available. Krystal will send out a meeting reminder

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned approximately at 1:15p.m.