

Mansfield Community Campus Partnership

Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2006

The meeting began at 3:00.

Present: Julie Bell-Elkins, Mayor Elizabeth Paterson, Ande Bloom, Chantal Bouchereau, Colin Brennan, Frank Christian-Legay, Cathy Cocks, Michael Collins, Sgt. Sean Cox, Kevin Grunwald, Master Sgt. Linda Killarney, Andrew Marone, R. Ryan McHardy, , , Liz Prince, Officer Thomas Ryba, Michael Sarra, Bob Slattery, Tom Szigethy, Colleen Velturo

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson and Julie Bell-Elkins welcomed participants. The Partnership divided into subgroups, which met for 40 minutes.

The Partnership reassembled -- subgroups reported back to the larger group.

- Kevin Grunwald reported for the outreach/publicity subgroup.
- Colin Brennan reported for the recommendations subgroup.
- Michael Sarra reported for the Spring Weekend subgroup.

M. Sarra discussed the new MCCP web site. The site is housed in the UConn President's Office. The site will be flexible and feature more content. Community announcements and related activities can be posted on the site, which also features prominent links to the Town and Storrs Center web sites. M. Sarra requested suggestions for potential new features.

- K. Grunwald suggested adding a press room to the site for distributing news and updates to the press and the community.

C. Brennan provided an update on the UConn Off-Campus Student Services position. The search is ongoing and telephone interviews will be conducted within the week.

A. Bloom and C. Brennan discussed the water quality issue at some off-campus apartments. Many water samples were taken from vacant units, which may have been stagnant water. A. Bloom provided suggestions for using the water safely.

E. Paterson provided an update on Town rental unit inspections. Inspections are proceeding well, with property owners performing many spot-fixes when problems are identified.



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M. Sarra discussed the Mansfield Geographic Information System (GIS) and its potential implications for the Partnership. The GIS is available at <http://www.mainstreetmaps.com/CT/Mansfield>.

E. Paterson provided a Downtown Partnership update.

- The connector walkway is under construction at Town Hall.
- Building 1a (for relocation of current businesses) is expected to break ground in the Spring. Other buildings will follow.
- The Downtown Partnership is looking to secure funding for the proposed parking garage.

The Partnership discussed a January meeting date. Jan. 19 appears to be a good preliminary date.

The meeting ended at 4:15pm



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