



## FLORIDA PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP

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### Minutes

September 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.

**Participants:** Adrian Alexander, Bob Arnold, Marica Bailey, Eve Balance, Fred Bates, Sandra Bernard-Bastien, Joy Bruce, Brandi Byrnes, Larry Carlton, Terry Cerullo, Heidi Copeland, Chris Cotter, Deborah Cox, Nilda Cruz, Ana Cruz-Taura, Jason Fennemore, Monique Finlay, Cassandra Grayson, Michael Gutter, Janet Hamer, Angie Hollerich, Brenda Hubbard, Beverly Kirton-Smith, Daniella Levine, Amanda Lewis, Howard Liebman, Audrey Ljung, Dawn Lockhart, Ellen Loebelenz, Krista Martin, Anita McKinney, Bill Mills, Stephanie Myers, Pat Nelms, George Owen, Kasha Owers, Amy Paulishak, Mary Peay, Priscilla Phillips, Maureen Quinlan, Brittany Richards, Christine Ruiz, Rob Sansome, Kaye Schmitz, Barry Shalinsky, Mike Smith, Rebecca Thompson, Sandra Tobin, Patrick Tolan, Tami Torres and Vickie Williams.

- I. Welcome and Introductions – Janet Hamer welcomed everyone. The matters on the agenda were addressed briefly by Kaye Schmitz (after participants got set-up for webinar).
  
- II. 2011 State Conference Committee
  - Next State Conference has been scheduled for June 1-3, 2011 at the Don Cesar Resort in St. Pete Beach, Florida.
  - The committee meetings will be held via conference call at the end of September or early October, anyone interested in being on this committee, should email Kaye.
  - One of the first things, the group will do is to seek RFPs for workshop proposals, so Kaye encouraged the group to think about what they would like to see presented.
  
- III. FPP Regional Meetings

Meetings have been scheduled for the following dates and details will be sent to everyone in the FPP membership group.

  - October 25- Central East, Orlando, FL (Afternoon)
  - October 27 –North Central, Tallahassee, FL (Afternoon)
  - October 28 – North West, Panhandle (Afternoon)
  - November 10 – North East, Jacksonville (Time to be confirmed)
  - November 16 – Central West, Tampa (9-11)
  - November 17 – South West, Ft. Myers (2-4)
  - November 18 – South East, Palm Beach (1-3)
  
- IV. Update on Governance Status of FPP –
  - As of August 5<sup>th</sup> the FPP is now officially a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization.
  - Thanks to George Owen for working on this.

- The Executive committee is in the process of re-writing the bylaws; once approved by board, they will be presented to the entire membership.
- The Strategic Plan chairs and committees will be reconvened to put plans into action- more information to be sent in the future.

#### V. Follow-up from State Conference – Kaye Schmitz

- 1) At the last State conference, an appeal was made for volunteers, upon completion of the by-laws, a slate of nominees for FPP Board will be presented to current the FPP board.
  - Once, approved, nominees will be presented to the entire membership for vote.
  - The new FPP Board will be voted on during the December meeting and Board members will assume office January 1.
  - Members wishing to serve on the board should email Kaye Schmitz
  
- 2) FPP members were also asked for topics of interest to be presented on full membership webinars. The top two choices were:
  - (i) Financial Education – today’s topic
  - (ii) Information about diverse groups – December’s topic
  - (iii) Web tools – March’s topic
  - (iv) Update about IRS or National Organizations – June Conference
  - (v) Other topics- Advocacy and Public Policy – September (2011) topic
  
- 3) Other Business
  - Florida Master Money Mentors Program - Kaye introduced speaker Dr. Michael Gutter of the University of Florida who presented this webinar. (See ppt. file attached).
  - After the presentation, Kaye thanked Michael Gutter for his presentation and said that County Extension Service members would give a similar presentation during the upcoming FPP Regional Meetings.
  - Janet Hamer thanked everyone for taking part in the conference call and reminded them to send suggestions for the Regional Meeting agendas.
  
- 4) Adjournment
  - The meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm.
  
- 5) Next Meeting
  - The date of the next full membership Conference Call is Monday December 13.