



Program Directors Report to the Board

June 22, 2016

General & Summer Program:

- Summer semester begins on Monday June 20th with a total of 124 participants plus 70 at Harkness. We were able to move 13 individuals off the waitlist.
- Carrina Echeandia earned her advanced level PATH International Riding Instructor Certification.
- Allie Leonard has resigned from her position of Volunteer Coordinator. Karena Garrity, an interim part-time staff, has been brought on to fill the administrative duties of the position while Kara Tedford, and intern for Special Programs and a PATH Certified Instructor, will be teaching several classes this summer.
- Harkness (70 total)
 - 6 Deep River Schools
 - 4 Solnit North
 - 6 New London Schools
 - 4 (might become 5) Cove Center
 - 6 Veterans
 - 4 Community Lessons
 - 40 Camp Group Spots
- ELP Curriculum around literacy and character development are nearing completion and will be presented to staff over later in the summer for implementation in the fall.
- GAS goal results from the spring semester are in the process of being compiled.

Volunteer Area:

- Recruitment & Training (numbers are from April through June)
 - 89 new volunteer inquiries
 - 92 attended/scheduled for GO (some people who inquired prior to April attended the training in April-June)
- Other news

- 74 total volunteers (in addition to the committee) supported the Annual Benefit (42 of those were from Eversource and Liberty Bank groups)

Special Programs:

- Summer Camp
 - All four weeks of summer camp are full (64 participants) and there are 17 participants on the waitlist- this may result in High Hopes offering a fifth week of summer camp in August.
- Immersion
 - 14 children were screened for Immersion and 12 will be participating
- Horse Sense
 - We have spots for 28 children and currently have 3 participants committed and are working to fill more of these spots.
- Field trips/Birthday Parties
 - Old Lyme Senior Center- Pony Power visit to their facility and a field trip to High Hopes
 - Killingly Central Schools- Field Trip
 - Gladeview Nursing Home- Pony Power visit
 - Chester Village West- Field Trip
- Community lessons
 - 11 participants served
- Internships
 - Jackie Wilson (Camp Harkness)
 - Stephanie Miller (Camp Harkness)
 - Kara Tedford (Special Programs)
 - Jamie Venuti (Special Programs)
 - John Morytko (Volunteers)
- Lord Creek Scrabble Ride on Saturday June 18th to benefit High Hopes- with a total of 50 riders (as of 6/15/16).
- The Safe Futures group has continued attending for their monthly meeting. Their last session will be June 20th and the program team is currently working on setting up the next set of dates to have this group attend.