Campus Clubs Update for Board Meeting- August 1, 2016

GRANTS and Funds: Porter Foundation gave $4,500, Downtown Rotary Club gave $900 and Strong Tower Fellowship gave $25,000 gift “with love” from their session. United Way through Tammie Collins asked for a revision to our grant in focus and monetarily. (Suggested starting with $5,000) We have submitted a $5,000 grant application to Best Buy Community Grants Program to help pay for hardware in the EWAAL room. We have been informed by Mary Parrish of the Bibb County School System’s Afterschool Program of a large federal grant that she feels Campus Clubs would qualify for and is willing to help draft our application after her retirement in November. (Grant deadline is in January.)

Summer Program, “Be An Academic Super Hero” was held for seven weeks with 155 children enrolled. We averaged 17 volunteers per week. FALL Program begins Monday, August 15th.

SPIRITUAL- Twenty children attended Camp Grace, 10 boys attended Bob Hoffman Basketball camp where James Moore was Chaplain, and ten children are in Kentucky this week at Camp Kiddo. Vacation Bible School at VUMC and VBC as well as Camp Good Grief.

EDUCATION- We are nearing the completion of the planning phase for the Ed Walsh Academic Achievement Lab and hope to be operational sometimes in August. (I’d like Steven to attend our next Board Meeting to talk more about this project.) Our second graders received a gardening education class from UGA extension agent, Talibah. Each week the students would learn something about gardening, go to the CC garden to tend, weed and water and the class culminated in a fun project in which the students made peppermint lemonade using fresh grown peppermint from the garden.

The FPD Robotics team helped implement a PITSCO STEM program called Bottle Racers. About 15 students spent 3 weeks building, decorating and racing race cars made from plastic drink bottles. The racers are powered by air pressure created by a bicycle pump.

Open House at L.H. Williams was held on Thursday, July 28. Campus Clubs was invited to set up an information table.

RECREATION- About 25 boys completed the summer intramural flag football league. A new golf program kicked off and ended with an experience at Bowden Golf Course for 8 of our youth. Thanks Jim Hickman! Learn and Earn Bike Shop was a successful with 10 children learning the basics of bicycle maintenance and repair. Seven children completed the total tear down, repair and ride away on their own bikes. This project will continue in the Fall with some student helpers. Several FPD students provided a Fitness/Heath Camp, a basketball camp and a mini football camp. A volunteer’s mom gave yoga lessons to the middle school girls and guys. Twenty girls attended an Atlanta Dream WMBA game in Atlanta.

Donations and Field Trips- The Georgia Public Safety Center and Montene Carrol of the Woodmen of America and several individuals gave donations of school supplies. VUMC let us use their gym again this summer, First Choice Primary Care performed free physicals again this year. Paxen (Workforce development) send workers to CC. They are volunteers to CC but paid a small stiped by Paxen. Our five year olds went to the Washington Library, Stevie B’s and Carabbas where they were taught etiquette and given a delicious meal. High School students went swimming several times and the 2nd graders went to a movie. We ended with a splash with a water blow up and water balloons along with a cookout.