

Minutes of 10/27/08
Strategic Alliances sub committee

Present: Jim Hazlett, Richard Rudduck and Charles Marvin

Not present: Jim Higgs, John Klinck

The committee reviewed the written list of sub committee tasks which were:

- Ensure that all options are considered – merger, consolidation, cooperative ventures.
- Examine the work of the other committees, probing for complete review of “pros & cons”.
- Coordinate the communication plan of the Study Committee to assure accurate and timely communication to their respective Boards, volunteers in the councils and the public as necessary.
- Draft appropriate communications and monitor the distribution via email, web postings, etc.

Three items were added to the list:

- Compare & contrast each council’s current strategic plan
- Seek best practices from prior BSA mergers / affiliations.
- Develop a best practices/ “lessons learned” template for use across sub-committees, disseminate to the joint Council sub-committee and present to the Northeast Region for future use.
- Assess how a potential consolidation/merger would be perceived by major community partners and stakeholders (e.g. corporate sponsors, United Way, etc.).

The next meeting has not been scheduled due to the absence of two committee members. After communication of the entire committee the next meeting will be scheduled asap and communicated with overall committee leadership.