On Tuesday, May 27, 2014 6:47 PM, "Sekar Srinivasan sekar.raghavan@yahoo.com [ashasv-vol]" <ashasv-vol@yahooogroups.com> wrote:

**Attendees**
Bernie, Thillai, Shraddha, Venki, Sekar, Raghu, Madhu, Saurabh, Tushar, Protima, Vinod, Bhanu

Thanks again for a very lively and energetic meeting. Meeting attendees are the ones that keep the chapter alive. Your presence matters (literally). Please continue to show up.

**Revitalizing Asha-SV**
Wed lunches with ‘senior’ Asha folks happening
Met with Vinod today - main takeaway: need to assign tasks to new vols
Lot of ideas, less people implementing it
New vol coord can/should maybe help with assignment of tasks to new vols
Project coords need to be present at the meetings (since they know a lot about the projects)
It’s all Meena’s fault :), partly Madhu’s -- 2010 was the best discussions :)
Need to minimize parallel conversations in the room
Need to update group welcome email and PR kit (Anybody willing to take a shot at this? Please send me (Sekar) an email. I suggest two new volunteers team up. This will be a good way to jumpstart)

**Jagriti Bal Vikas Samiti (Apna Skool)**
- Project renewal (originally scheduled for April) for Apna Skool
- Jagriti caters to children of migrant workers, was started in IIT Kanpur
- Jagriti runs a school called Apna Skool
- 23 schools supported by Asha (in the rural district around IIT Kanpur)
- 5 schools supported by AID & Mala Foundation provides for mid-day meals
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WCIEqMqdsX0 (Apna Skool annual program 2010)
- Jagriti stays in touch with the children when they move and try to keep them continuing education
- year’s curriculum delivered in 6-8mo
  - only upto grade 5
  - education provided in a healthy environment
  - continuing as non-formal school (could not move forward with RTE approval as formal education school by State Govt)
  - formal schools nearby do not accept children in school mid-year
- Jagriti tries to work with these formal schools
- Split of funds: chunk of funds by AfE and Mala Foundation (about 45-45 and rest 10% by other foundations)
  - started vocational training with computers, carpentry, tailoring
  - brick kiln schools are open for 8mo and construction schools are open for 12mo
  - total funds requested: 18.64 lakh (increase from 15.23 lakh)
- Jagriti has FCRA

Relevant Digression :) --
Ek Kadam is another project run by Jagriti
Ek Kadam has a hostel of its own, can support more students (students picked based on parents’ involvement)
Ek Kadam is funded by Mala Foundation (used to be funded by AfE)

Sankalp
- Caters to children with special needs
- Supporting since 2009
- No FCRA
- Funds go to Asha Kanpur
  - Received recognition from National Trust (trying for a long time) - full name below
  - National Trust for welfare of persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities
  - Q: Are the children registered too? If they are, they will be entitled to a disability stipend
  - Reformattting the assessment forms for children
  - Making IEPs for students (Individualized Education Plan), teachers can make the plan now instead of psychologists
  - LIC grant for vehicles finally came through!
  - Only one child was going for the day boarding, so, they are closing down the day boarding facility
  - Can change the name to Sankalp Special School
  - They have a Sankalp Facebook page
  - Parents’ association Wonder Child Parent Association formed
  - Fundraising was done using a book campaign, raised about 5000Rs but created publicity
- Q: why are the teacher salaries so low? (~20,000Rs for 7 teachers)
- We fund about 40% of their expenditure
- Only equipment for physiotherapists was training bike
- Yoga mat used by therapists
- Q: Do they have sensory equipment?
- 48 number of kids in all

**Announcement:** Please vote on the ARC proposals. I need to send them by Wednesday night.

Thanks,
Sekar