

Barrington's Substance Abuse Task Force

Drug Free Community Coalition

Barrington Public Library Board Room

County Road Barrington, RI 02806

Monday, March 3, 2014

Minutes

Attendance:

Present: Kathy Sullivan (Staff), Dr. Kristen Westmoreland (Staff), Joanne Royley (School), Stacie McLoughlin (Parent), Marta Iachetta (School), Achina Stein (Organization involved in Reducing Substance Use), Heather Annis (Faith Community), Deb Jerome (Civic group), Sara Kriz (media), Jonathan Ashuler (School), Elsie Wright (School), Morgan Silva (youth), Doug Antony (youth), Chris O'Brien (youth), Bill Dewitt (Business), Lauren Walker (youth), Deb Perugini (staff), Chief John LaCross (Law Enforcement),

Guests: Shannon Spurlock, JSI

Not present: Deena Davis (Parent), Martha Donovan (Parent), Eileen Johnson (Healthcare), Alexandra Ray (youth), Nancy Guertin (Organization involved in Reducing Substance Use), Maycie Culley (youth) Lara Courturier (parent), Denise Alves (State Organization with Expertise in field of substance abuse), Harper Berriman (youth), Diane Block (health care), Bill Cameron (business), Grethe Cobb

(healthcare), Claudia Gordon (Parent), Maureen Janetta (School), Bob Shea (School), Chuck Lzbash (Youth Serving Organization), Heidi Fanion (Parent), Eleanor Swe (Parent), Kim Kelly (youth), Ariel Alves (youth), Susan Freel (parent), Mimi Karlin (youth),

Welcome and Introductions

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Three Month Follow up to Retreat Sustainability. The group discussed the action items noted at the November retreat and did a check-in on what items had been accomplished and what were the challenges.

Shannon will provide a written report to KS.

Committee Reports

Parenting – successful parenting meeting at YoGo Crazy, despite the challenge of a busy night in town.

Marijuana – The Marijuana Challenge is almost ready to go to print. Still working with the school administration on the logistics of delivering this to the parents of 8th/9th students. We are waiting for permission from the superintendent to use school address list.

Policy – the group is working with the high school to include in its smoke free policy all products that contain nicotine or tobacco

BAY Youth/CHOICES/St. Andrews – St. Andrew’s students did a Whacky Wednesday => a choice of many fun activities for students during study. This was organized by the students. Doug also created an educational powerpoint based on the tobacco information learned at the BAY Team presentation by Karina Wood. He expanded the stats and data and was shocked by the numbers. He shared this with St. Andrew’s students.

BAYouth created a Reality Wall – full of students comments about a negative impact of alcohol or other drugs on someone they know. This was created during a lunch session and will be on display in the community.

Prescription Drug – pleased to announce that CVS will host our next drug take back event in their parking lot on 4/26 from 10 am – 2 pm.

Any Other Business

Drug Take Back 4/26

Outside the Box 7 pm - postponed

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