



EAST PROVIDENCE PREVENTION COALITION

February 23, 2015 Minutes

Attendance:

Courtney Lacerda	Senator Mark Gee
Scott Rose	Catherine Legault
Pam Bird	Elmer Pina
Britney Dias	Susan Dunnington
Jennifer Wall	Deb Shaw
Sgt. John Andrews	Katie Saraiva
Officer Doug Borden	Shani Wallace

1) **Introductory Remarks:** *Courtney Lacerda*

- a) Call meeting to order at 6:09pm by Chair Courtney Lacerda
- b) Welcoming & introductions
- c) Announcements
 - Death in Laura Levine's family- husband's father
 - EP Police Dept. Reorganization- did away with relief system and went to platoon system. Sgt. Andrews is no longer head of community policing and has been moved to Traffic. Sgt. Mark Norton is now head of Community Policing.
 - BHDDH New Director – reviewed attachment
 - Black History Month Celebration - Elmer Pina gave an update
 - No other personal or professional announcements

2) **Secretary's Report:** *Pam Bird*

- a) Approval of December and January minutes due to lack in quorum in January. Sgt. Andrews moved to accept the December and January minutes as presented. Officer Doug Borden seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed.
- b) Suggestion to change April 20th board meeting to April 13th due to April vacation week and Jen being out of town. Courtney moved to change the April 20th EPPC board meeting to April 13th. Sgt. Mark Norton seconded the motion. All were in favor. None were opposed. Motion carries.
- c) Membership Report
 - Deb Shaw Voting Rights - Her comments "she lives for this"
 - Katie Saraiva Voting Rights - No comments
 - Susan Dunnington Voting Rights - No comments
 - Three applicants left room with Executive Director. Rest of the board discussed. Everyone agreed to make them voting board members.
 - Officer Doug Borden moved to accept Deb Shaw, Katie Saraiva and Susan Dunnington as EPPC voting board members. Sgt. Mark Norton seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. Motion carries.

- Three applicants and Executive Director returned and they were welcomed to the board.

3). **Treasurer's Report:** *Britney Dias*

- a) Britney read all funding updates and proposal
 - RI Dept. Of Health Mini Grant- Kick Butts Day & World No Tobacco Day
 - Katie asked about the youth involvement funding. There is no more youth programs. Britney passed out youth involvement pamphlet & Jen explained funds are for to cover the bussing
- b) January & February Expenditures- passed around for review.
- c) Fundraising sub-committee meeting report – discussed Bridgepointe Church initial planning meeting.
- d) Egg Hunt Specifics
 - March 28th or increment weather date April 4th
1:00-3:30.
 - Donations Report - attached to the packet. Scott asked about receiving donations for next year.
 - Volunteering of EPPC Board Members - see packet, fill out form and leave w/ Jen.
 - Contingency Plan - No plans of yet due to the snow.

4) **Programmatics:** *Jennifer Wall*

- a) Programmatic Update
 - EP PTSA meeting - February 24th.
 - 10 Year Anniversary for the Smoke-Free Workplaces Celebration.
- b) Prescription Drug Take Back Disposal Update
 - Up and running, it is small and 3/4 full.
 - Marketing Timeline - cannot post yet due to incinerator.
 - Proposed Take Back date - May 30th 10-2. Ok w/ police dept. DEA would not participate.
- c) EPHS Assemblies
 - Texting & Diving Assembly - rescheduled due to weather
 - Think Fast Assembly Intro - Dept. of Transportation Presentation Highway Safety issues. Very interactive. Jen will inform us of the date.
- d) Kick Butts Day & World No Tobacco Day Events
 - Zombie Event - March 18th 3-5pm. Pictures will be in yearbook.
 - World No Tobacco Day Event – TBA
- e) Elementary School Project Purple
 - Proposed date June 22nd
 - Rally will be 1 1/2 hours.
 - School competition with Whitenact, Orlo, Hennessy & Sacred Heart

5). **Other:** *Courtney Lacerda*

a) EPPC Goals Update

- Facebook page additional 261 friends - reached 250 goal. Celebrate.
- Newsletter Distribution Update - add police & school? Include all city employees, politicians, board & chamber members.

b) No new business.

6). **Trending Now:** *Courtney Lacerda*

a) 50 Texting Terms your kids don't want you to know – EP PATCH

- Newsletter attached to packet about sexing. Reviewed. Discussed.

b) EPHS Current Trends-*Vice Principal Shani & SRO Doug*

- Social Media
- Vapor Pens
- Cyberbullying - constant problem
- No phones policy

c) EPPC January & February Newsletter- reviewed

7). **Closing Remarks:** *Courtney Lacerda*

a) Next meeting March 23, 2015

b) Motion to adjourn at 7:33om made by Officer Doug Borden. Seconded by Sgt. Mark Norton. All were in favor. None were opposed. Motion carries.