



Fairfield CARES Leadership Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2019

Meeting called to order at 10am.

Present: Cristin McCarthy-Vahey, Amanda Romaniello, Bernadette Coppola, Jennifer Jacobsen, Reini Knorr

Chair Report:

Amanda provided an update on speaking with YMCA, on fiscal agent matters. Stated that there is no update and this time and that she would continue talks with the Y's leadership at headquarters.

Amanda requested that the Leadership meetings move from Mondays to Fridays starting in August. All members present agreed to the change. Same time and location.

Amanda also reported that the Coalition has received a new \$5,000 State Opioid Response grant (SOR) for FY20.

Minutes Approval: June 3, 2019 minutes were approved 3-0-1, with CMV abstaining as she was not present at the June 3rd meeting.

Programming Report:

Reini agreed to start being responsible for sending out coalition meeting agenda and minutes through the town email distribution system that Fairfield Cares has their distribution list on.

Reini also mentioned that there is a QPR training on July 24th. Is checking with Giovanna from the HUB if we can use SOR grant funds to train 2 QPR train the trainers.

There was a Narcan training at the Fairfield Public Library on June 25th. Roughly 25 people attended the training.

July 24 Fairfield Cares is sponsoring the Peanut Butter Jam on Sherman Green from the CSC grant

August 8th- Fairfield Cares is sponsoring the Movie Night on Jennings Beach from the CSC grant

August 30th Fairfield CARES and the Fairfield Health Department are hosting a Candlelight Vigil to mark International Overdose Awareness Day, on the Sherman Town Green at 7pm.

October 17th- Liz Jorgensen will be coming to Fairfield to discuss Parenting in the Drug Age at 7pm in the BOE conference room.

Treasurer Report: Bernadette provided an update for the LPC, STR and CSC grants. CSC coordinator will provide FY19 balance to Bernadette for latest expenses and upon receipt of final balance from Positive Directions.

CSC Coordinator Report:

Jen Jacobsen reported that:

The Middle School items that Lori Mediate had requested be ordered had arrived and have been delivered to Lori.

The new coalition items; window clings, stickers, back of phone card cases and more #lifenotwasted bracelets have all arrived.

Notification had come on Wednesday prior, from Positive Directions, that we had some funds left in the grant to spend. The printing of our 2018 INFOBrief, work by Carma Creative for a Talking Tips for parents of children of all ages for our upcoming events, Fatal Vision alcohol impairment goggles and an alcohol impairment activity mat have all been ordered with those funds.

FY 20 Budget has not been received yet, but shouldn't be too different from this year.

Jenn went over ideas for FY20 CSC Goals:

- Recruit, Orient and Develop a new group of youth committee members. Previous members have just graduated.
- Retain a Youth Peer Advocate, young adult, for the Coalition and meet YPA goals and expectations. Role description and responsibilities has been created.
- Create a Condition of Fairfield Youth Report using available longitudinal data from multiple sources (Search surveys, parent surveys, school climate surveys and any other data). Highlighting our areas of strength and successes, emerging trends since 2014 and challenges youth of Fairfield face.
- Implement our grant provisions of the Coalition Sustainability Plan and continue to plan for post 2020 grant funding.

Next Leadership meeting will be held on August 9th at 10 am in the BOE Conference Room.