



## Leadership Meeting Minutes

10/7/2019

Present: Cristin McCarthy-Vahey, Phil Dwyer, Reini Knorr, Jenn Jacobsen

Member of the public: Alexa Morgan, PHD Nurse Practitioner student from Sacred Heart U.

Call to Order: 10:05 am

Chair Update: Cristin informed the group that Katy Rosenfeld will not be able to be co-chair of the coalition at this time. Cristin encouraged members to forward names of potentially interested parties for the role. The coalition is also looking for Resource Chair, as Phil is currently the Interim Resource Committee Chair.

Discussion on our full coalition meeting time starting in January ensued. Ideas around starting later or earlier and/or holding more evening meeting times were discussed. It was decided that between now and in December when the coalition formulates the 2020 calendar more input would be collected. Goal is to be able to capture more parents, in particular elementary and middle school aged students.

Also, discussed was possibly moving the location from the Bigelow Senior Center to a more school-based location, such as the BOE offices.

Cristin provided an update on our grants status; Local Prevention Council (LPC), State Opioid Response (SOR), CT Strategic Prevention Framework Coalition (CSC), and a fourth possible grant we may consider to apply for, through the Department of Public Health, an opioid data grant.

Treasurer Report was provided. \$600 from the CSC grant was expended on state evaluation. \$75 from LPC funds were expended for staff at the Fairfield Museum and History Center for hosting the Opioid forum. \$1,100 was expended for 100 more drug lock boxes. \$80 was spent on Facebook ads.

Phil provided input on the Resource Committee and a focus this year on volunteer recruitment.

Reini provided a programming report: The community vaping forum was well attended with about 30 attendees. The opioid roundtable discussion was also well attended. Fairfield Cares participated in the Walk Like MADD event and will also be participating in the Walk Out of the Darkness walk upcoming on October 26<sup>th</sup>. There is to be a Narcan training tonight Warde high school. On November 6<sup>th</sup> both Warde and Ludlowe high schools will be having their freshman forums. On October 17<sup>th</sup> Delay Your Grey with Liz Jorgensen is being held at the BOE offices at 7pm.

Jenn Jacobsen provided a youth committee and CSC update:

The first youth committee meeting of the year was held on September 10<sup>th</sup>. This is an all new group of students. Most of the time was getting to know one another and beginning conversations around the work of the Youth Committee. The Next Youth committee meeting is tomorrow, 10/8/2019 at 4:30

#### CSC Update:

Jenn shared the initial concept of the CSC End of Initiative Deliverable for DMHAS with the group and hopes to share with the full coalition at our next meeting. This product is meant to be the headlines of the coalitions CSC work over the last 5 years of the grant. The first round is due October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Also, DMHAS will be scheduling a site visit with Positive Directions. A date was not known yet. 3-5 coalition members will be needed for that site visit when it does occur.

A Fairfield CARES Orientation and Onboarding packet has been created with all of the coalition's key documents. Reini posted it on our website so those are now available for the public and for new members to have access to.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05

Next leadership meeting is November 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Police Headquarters.