



Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2017

Attendance: Sandy Fletcher (Civic organization), Pam Dell'Aquila, Pete Dell'Aquila (Other organization involved in substance abuse prevention), Tim Ricketts (Schools), Shree Woods (Other organization involved in substance abuse prevention), Rich Rizzo, Nick Ficarello (Law enforcement), Brian Lewis (Law Enforcement), Sarah Nalley (Parent), Jim Vehrs (Local Government), Evan Westart (Other organization involved in substance abuse prevention), Tari Atherton, Tom Atherton

Call To Order: Pete called meeting to order at 4:37 pm and led the Pledge of Alligiance,

Coalition Business:

Executive Board Report - Nick asked Pam to give the May 1st Executive Board Report. Nick and Pete presented a workshop to about 25 students with a variety of majors on the stigma of addiction and the CHANGE program at JJC on April 21st. At the April Drug Take Back Day manned by Sandy and Rich (in the pouring rain), 3 pounds of pills were collected (approximately 2900 pills). The bylaws amendment passed by the $\frac{2}{3}$ quorum required, with 12 of 18 eligible voters present at the April meeting voting Yes. Both Pam and Nick agreed to serve 2 more years in their Exectuive Board roles if elected in June, and Janie and Mayor Vehrs agreed to nominations as Member at large. (Nominations from the members for the expiring positions were called for and Rich indicated he would like to run for Member at large. There were no additional nominations from the floor.) Nick reported that at a recent MAPP meeting, Dr. Kathleen Burke reported that Riverside Medical Center will be giving Vivitrol injections. Lockport, Mokena and Lemont PD's have become involved with the Safe Passage Program. The PD is tracking CHANGE placement referrals in their reporting system, and will also be tracking calls received in which treatment info is given to the caller, including self-placements of individuals who have gotten treatment option info from the PD. He also noted that the Mayor would like to do PSA's on the 10 signs of substance use to watch for. Sandy reported that a thank you from Living Alternatives for the BAHCC donation to their Walk for Life was received. A letter from the BWD PD regarding NNO donations and exhibitors was received. (Pam will send in the exhibitor registration.) Pam has sent in the Request for Donation forms to Exelon.

Approval of Minutes - Tim called for a motion to approve March meeting minutes. Sandy motioned. Rich 2nd. Motion carries.

Approval of Treasurer's Report - Spreadsheets were distributed to members. Sandy reported a May 1, 2017 checkbook balance of \$2917.18. Tim called for a motion to approve the May Treasurer's report. Rich motioned. Jim 2nd. Motion carries

Action Team & Partner Updates:

HEAR US - No Report

PD/CHANGE Program: Nick, Sarah, and Pete are working on a Department of Justice grant for the service area expansion of the CHANGE program and to help fund salaries for an officer, admin. staff, and a social worker/CADC. Nick reported the golf outing to benefit the BAHCC & HEAR US is set for August 4 at Heritage Bluffs in Channahon. Sarah has been making calls and letters will be going out to get hole sponsors, monetary donations, and raffle and goodie bag items

RAD: The next meeting is Thurs., May 12th from 3-4p at the HS. A couple of RAD students will be going to CGTI at EUI in July.

Prom/Post-Prom: Tim reported everyone had an outstanding time. $\frac{2}{3}$ of those attending prom also attended post-prom. Parents are already starting to think about next year.

EYPC/Reality IL: Shree reported that the TAD students collected about 400 completed surveys, with $\frac{3}{4}$ of the people in favor of tobacco free parks. The students will be making their presentation to the Peotone Park District on May 30th.

SMART Recovery: Pam reported that Denise has two or three consistent attendees at the bi-monthly meetings.

PRADA: Will meet this week Thursday at 6 pm, and will have a table at Peotone Community Days on June 10th.

Fishing for a Cure: Pam passed around sign up sheets for helpers at the events at the cooling lake and Godley Park.

Youth Communication Campaign: Tim reported they are about a month behind, but will hang the next poster up for the remainder of the school year.

Other: Pam reported that the coalition has been asked to sponsor the Baby contest during Summerfest. The Lions Club will purchase trophies and ribbons for us. The registration fees can then all go to the BAHCC. (Members agreed that this would be good exposure for the coalition.) The coalition will also be having an info table and selling 50/50 raffle tickets at Summerfest, and will have a float (Sarah's golf cart) in the parade. The BAHCC will have an info table at NNO on Aug 1st.

Project Coordinator Updates:

Member Education - Pete distributed the following CADCA articles:

"The Opioid Epidemic May Be Even Deadlier Than We Think"

"Drugged Driving on the Rise, Passes Alcohol Alone in Fatal Crashes, Report Says"

"Pot Use, Abuse More Likely in States with Medical Marijuana Laws, Study Shows"

YPE - A lesson will be added for each level on opiates to begin next fall.

State Grant - The current state grant has been suspended. Pete has submitted the application for the new state grant funding opportunity. The service area must include 30,000, so Elwood has been added to our Southern Will service area. Strategies required are changing, and are to include, alcohol AND opioid communication campaigns, establishment of a Youth Advisory Committee for the service area, youth involvement in National Prevention Week and Drug Take Back events, and development of a resource directory. He thinks we have a pretty good chance at getting funding (hopefully for 2 staff members, not just one) and stressed that the BAHCC already does most of these requirements.

Breakout Session: Discussion on the Masonic Lodge Opportunity

Concerns -

Should we pursue this because our state funding is in question?

How can we try to get the asking price down?

How will we fund repairs and upkeep?

Insurance may be an issue depending on building use

Suggestions -

Have building inspector visit sight to determine what things need to be done to bring it up to code (Mayor said City would pay for this)

Have a couple of contractors give estimates on the work that has to be done

Present this info to Masonic Lodge.

Funding options could include: FFAC donation, partnerships with counseling svcs (which would pay rent for use), Solicit funds from service area communities, develop a vision for the building and set up a Go Fund Me acct., In-kind matches (ie. City of Wilmington pays rent, internet, and utilities for the WCHC)

Adjournment: Tim called for a motion to adjourn at 5:50 pm. Jim motioned. Rich 2nd. Motion carries.

Next Meeting: Our Annual Celebration: Monday, June 12, 2017, at 4 pm at Old Smokey City Park under the Lions Pavilion