

Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention
Meeting Minutes
November 28' 2012

Meeting Call to Order:

President Derek Bastinck called to order the meeting of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) on November 28th, 2012, at 7:45. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Fair Law Municipal Bldg., 8-01 Fair Lawn Ave, Fair Lawn, NJ.

Attendance & Introduction of Community Members:

A sign in sheet was circulated. Present were: President Derek Bastinck, Cindy Martinez, Treasurer Chuck Logan, Lorraine Fleming, Claude Bienstock, and Carol Wagner. Representation from Barnabas Health Institute for Prevention were introduced: Carol Sprague.

Approval of Minutes:

D. Bastinck made a motion to accept the Sept 19, 2012, meeting and it was seconded by C. Bienstock. All present were in favor.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer, C. Logan reported that the checking account has \$42,968.61. Cash and checks from fund raisers were given to the treasurer for deposit including: \$30.00 from bike helmets sales and \$30.00 from sale of Entertainment Coupon Books. Also \$40.00 from donation from Mr. and Mrs. Tsumuraya was given to the treasurer for deposit. Treasurer wrote the following checks after approval by the Board: 1) C Sprague \$600.00 & A. Goldshlag \$200.00 for their time working at and planning the Street Fair, 2) Street Fair Registration \$100.00, 3) Street Fair Supplies \$240.45 purchased by C. Sprague.

Correspondence: None to report.

Activity Reports

Grant Coordinators Report: C. Wagner presented and provided copies of the FLASAP grant activity report on the YTD expenditures including program costs through October for Saturday Seniors Activity and the Street Fair.

Old Business:

Explorers Update: D. Bastinck reported that there are 21 Explorers who are meeting 2 times per month and 2 assisted FLASAP at the Street Fair on October 21, 2012. The upcoming

camping trip in early November was cancelled due to Super Storm Sandy recovery efforts. The camping trip was postponed until March 2013 and will include ATOD prevention programming.

Big Brother/Big Sister Mentoring Activity: An explanation on the Big Sister, Big Brother/Mentoring activity was provided by C. Wagner since there were 2 new FLHS students or staff at the FLASAP meeting. C Wagner explained to the new student reps that we need reports on how many students and participants attended the program FLASAP also needs receipts for supplies for the activities for FLASAP grant funding to cover the expenses. The students did know that 40 to 50 participate in Arts & Crafts on every Sunday morning.

Overview of FLHS “Teen Suicide” Prevention Program: Topic was postponed in absence of J. Marcella.

October 21 “Street Fair: C. Wagner reported that she , Pat Lenart, D. Bastinck and 2 Explorers volunteered their time for the event. Two (2) ATOD consultants, worked at the event all day. One of the consultants, C. Sprague explained the activities implemented at the Street Fair which included River Rocks and Sand Art. Both activities focused on teaching values to young children with interaction with child’s parent. Children were able to take away the sand art necklace or River Rock identified with a “value” word. The number of children that participated totaled 310.

New Business:

FLHS Talent Show: The 2 new students from Student Government present at the meeting informed FLASAP that the FLHS Student Government will be hosting a talent show on Dec. 20 in the evening, so they will be sending 2 reps on their behalf to the December FLASAP meeting. They indicated that the Student Government is designating the talent show as an ATOD prevention activity and that every ticket sold for the event has a substance abuse prevention message written on the ticket.

Street Fair: In that FLASAP did not have a meeting in October due to lack of quorum, there was discussion on funding the Rocks and Sand Art activities at the Street Fair that was approved by consensus of the FLASAP members at the Sept. 2012 meeting. The supplies were purchased by C. Sprague and receipts for the supplies totaled \$240.45. The cost of the registration and space at the event was \$100.00. The cost of the 2 consultants was \$800.00. A motion was made by D. Bastinck and seconded by C. Bienstock to pay the expenses related to 5th Street Fair activities. All members present were in favor. None were opposed.

Discussion on Activity Program Planning and Related Funding: C. Wagner reported that she and C. Sprague coordinated efforts to get the “Too Smart to Start “activity into the Fair Lawn

Elementary Schools. Thanks to C. Sprague getting the programs scheduled, the programs will be presented on the following days at the following schools.

Dec. 19, 2012 3 programs at Radburn School

Dec. 18, 2012 1 programs at Warren Point School

Dec. 13, 2012 3 programs at Milne School

Other ideas discussed included: 1) Providing a “Parents Who Host” Presentation on the Athletic Night: “Meet the coaches” event, 2) providing an educational outreach focused toward older adults on ATOD prevention at the Taste of Fair Lawn 3) “Stay Alive, Don’t Drink and Drive” program: Presentation by Steven Benvenisti, Esq, in March or April 2013 for juniors and seniors at FLHS. D. Bastinck requested that FLASAP purchase give away items such as pens with ATOD prevention messages. Eight hundred (800) items would be needed for the anticipated audience at the S. Benvenisti program. It is also recommended to give an honorarium of \$250 to DWI for the presenters time.

Fundraising:

Entertainment Book Fundraiser: C. Wagner informed the FLASAP members that Entertainment Books are in that a press release was submitted to the Fair Lawn Community News and Borough Newsletter. Books are to be sold for \$30.00 and available for sale in the Health Department. FLASAP members were asked to take one or two books on consignment to sell.

Next Meeting 2012:

The next meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, December 19, 2012, at 7:30 PM in Room 201 of the Municipal Building.

Meeting adjournment:

As there was no further business, a motion was made by C. Logan and seconded by C. Martinez to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. All were in favor.