

Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention Meeting Minutes April 5, 2012

Meeting Call to Order:

President Derek Bastinck called to order the special meeting of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) on April 5, 2012, at 7:40 PM. The meeting was rescheduled from the regular meeting of March 28, 2012, which was cancelled due to lack of quorum. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Fair Lawn Municipal Bldg., 8-01 Fair Lawn Ave, Fair Lawn, NJ.

Attendance & Introduction of New Speaker:

A sign in sheet was circulated. Present were: President Derek Bastinck, Vice President Dennis Carney, Cindy Martinez, Claude Bienstock, Lorraine Fleming and Carol Wagner. FLHS Student attendees attending were: Brooke Rothman, Lauren Rose. A guest and anticipated new speaker for the Stamp Out "420" Activity was Sara Cupo. Council liaison Kurt Peluso also attended.

Approval of Minutes:

D. Carney made a motion to accept the February 22, 2012, meeting minutes and it was seconded by D. Bastinck. All present were in favor.

Treasurers Report:

There was no Treasurer's report due to the absence of the Treasurer at the meeting.

Activity Reports:

Grant Coordinators Report: C. Wagner presented and provided copies of the FLASAP grant activity expenditure proposal for Year 2012 that was submitted and approved by the County Municipal Alliance and Governor's Council on Drugs and Alcohol. C. Wagner asked that FLASAP approve the grant budget proposal so preparation of purchase orders for Alliance activity and respective supplies are not held up by a lack of quorum at a meeting and lack of sufficient votes. D. Carney made the motion to approve the grant budget proposal and it was seconded by C. Martinez. All present were in favor. There were 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

Old Business:

Year 2012 "Parents Who Host, Lose the Most" Activity: C. Wagner reported that the Mayor & Council, at a televised council meeting, announced the Proclamation of the "Parents Who Host, Lose the Most" Activity to be implemented throughout the community in April. The Proclamation announced the importance of promoting an awareness of the "Parents Who Host" Activity to educate parents in the community about the liabilities they incur when underage drinking occurs on their property and the importance of preventing underage drinking. The Mayor, FLASAP's Council liaison and other council members provided anecdotes on substance abuse prevention work being done by FLASAP. Members who attended the M&C Meeting to endorse the Proclamation were: President D. Bastinck, Grant Coordinator C. Wagner, and C. Bienstock. Dee Debarnardis, from the Center for Alcohol and Drug Resources, also attended in support of the Proclamation. D. Carney, C. Wagner and D. Bastinck have spent many hours reviewing, researching and updating the news article on "Parents Who Host..." for publication in the Fair Lawn Community News. C. Wagner reported that the Proclamation and FLASAP implementation of the activity was on the GCADA Facebook page through the assistance of the County Alliance Coordinator Judy Forman.

Explorers Update: D. Bastinck reported that 20-25 teens that participate in the Explorers program are looking forward to the Explorers' Summer Camp program.

Big Brother/Big Sister Mentoring Activity: The FLHS students provided an update on the Big Sister, Big Brother/ Mentoring activity. The purpose of the program is to establish good role models and lasting relationships. The group met one time at the Fair Lawn Community Center during the past month and 50 FLHS students and 60 young children participated in activities including: a scavenger hunt, Gios Night, 57 Eating Contest, a children hand prints activity. Needed supplies and funds were taken out of the FLHS Student Activities Account. Approved grant funds will reimburse the account.

New Business:

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

"420" Activity: Scheduling date with FLHS/New Speaker Bio- D. Bastinck is working on getting a date for the program at the FLHS. One potential new speaker for the program, Susan Cupo, provided true life experiences with alcohol at a young age and now has overcome the addiction. High school age students would likely relate with her since she is young and may be more influential in promoting substance abuse prevention.

Ordering pamphlets for FLASAP programs/ Teen Survival Guide: The Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) no longer sends out printed copies due to budget cuts. D. Carney has been making color copies from the DHHS website. See office supply order discussion below.

Canoe Regatta: The Canoe Regatta is scheduled for June 9. Discussion included whether FLASAP would provide breakfast at the event. C.Martinez made a motion and it was seconded by C. Bienstock for FLASAP to participate and provide breakfast at the event. All were in favor. C. Martinez made a motion and it was seconded by L. Fleming to expend up to a maximum of \$1200 for the program expenses. All present were in favor. None opposed.

Take Back Prescription Meds: The program is scheduled for April 28 from 10 AM to 2 PM in the Municipal Bldg. The Police Dept Captain, Health Dept Nurse and FLASAP member C. Wagner will be at the program to accept unused and/or expired medication so that they get safely disposed and not get into the hands of children or flushed into our streams and water supply. All are invited to attend.

Office Supply Order: In that we now have to print our own copies of pamphlets for program activities, it was requested that FLASAP vote on the purchase of color printer cartridges up to \$500. C. Martinez made the motion and it was seconded by L. Fleming. There were 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

Next Meeting 2012:

FLASAP members present at the meeting were reminded that FLASAP meetings are now held on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, 2012, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjournment:

As there was no further business, a motion was made by D. Carney and seconded by D. Bastinck to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM. All were in favor.