

Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention Meeting Minutes

June 17, 2009

Meeting Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) was called to order by Sgt. Derek Bastinck at 8:00 pm due to the late arrival of sufficient FLASAP members. The meeting was held in Room 201 of the Fair Lawn Municipal Bldg., 8-01 Fair Lawn Ave, Fair Lawn, NJ.

Attendance:

A sign in sheet was circulated. Present were: President Derek Bastinck, Vice President Cindy Martinez, Lisa Yourman, Chuck Logan, Dennis Carney, Lorraine Fleming, Council Liaison Jeanne Baratta and Carol Wagner. Also present was Claude Bienstock a concerned citizen.

Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of the April 15, 2009 meeting was distributed at the meeting. A motion for approval of the April 15th meeting minutes was made by C. Martinez and seconded by D. Carney. All were in favor.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer C. Logan reported a checking account balance of \$12,421.44 and the CD has \$25,203.94.

Activity Reports

Grant Coordinators Report:

C. Wagner reported the FLASAP grant budget for each FLASAP activity for 2009 with the anticipated funding and the expenditure YTD. Budget report dated 6/17/09 was distributed.

Fundraising:

Kids Stuff Books: C. Wagner reported that no more books were sold since April when (18) Kids Stuff Books were sold and (2) free books were given to individuals. For every (5) books that are sold, the seller will get (1) book for free the 10 remaining books were sent back to Kid Stuff Books.

Helmet Sales: Thirteen bicycle helmets were sold so far. Helmets in all sizes and colors are available in the Health Department. Helmets are \$10.00 each.

Old Business:

Special Meeting: The meeting with the Mayor and Council and Assemblywoman Wagner regarding A-3686 was held on May 5. The State Alliance Coordinator from GCADA (Governor's Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse) provided reasons why funding for Alliances should not be moved to the NJ Dept of Human Services. FLASAP members attended the meeting as well as the Bergen County

Alliance Coordinator. A resolution was passed by the Council to support this issue. L. Yourman made a motion to send letters to the Governor to move funding out of the Dept. of Human Service budget back to the Governor's Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (GCADA). It was seconded by L. Fleming. All present were in favor.

Explorers: D. Bastinck reported that the Explorers had 1 week long boot camp; 3 advisors and 6 kids participated. D. Bastinck requested \$1500 for tuition for the Academy to sponsor ___ Explorers. J. Baratta made the motion and C. Logan seconded the motion to approve \$1500 for the Explorers to attend the Academy. All present at the meeting were in favor.

Teen Night at the Community Center: See new business below.

River Regatta: The date for the River Regatta was June 6th from 10 AM to 3 PM. FLASAP provided breakfast and ATOD prevention literature. FLASAP members that volunteered their time to help out at the activity were: C. Martinez, L. Fleming, J. Baratta and C. Wagner. An email vote to all FLASAP members during the previous month resulted in unanimous approval to expend up to \$900 for food and supplies for the event.

Fair Lawn Street Fair June 7th : FLASAP did not actively participate in this event since they participated in the River Regatta event on the day before.

Project Graduation at Memorial School: C. Wagner reported that she received all of the info needed to comply with grant requirements. The info included the cost of the activity a list of several substance abuse prevention activities and how many children participated throughout the year culminating in a "Moving Up" celebration which is a Project Graduation activity. The email vote in the previous month resulted in a unanimous approval to cover expenses up to \$750. C. Wagner will process the paperwork to reimburse the PTO.

Battle of the Bands: This activity was held at the FL Community Center on May 31st. FLASAP will allegedly be receiving 50% of the proceeds of the concession stand. C. Wagner will do a follow up email to the teacher that coordinated the event.

New Business:

Plan for the Fall: The Street Fair is Oct. 25th. FLASAP Members are reminded to mark their calendars.

National Night Out in August: General consensus was that FLASAP will participate in National Night Out in August. Discussion involved what FLASAP will give out. C. Logan made a motion to expend up to \$ 400 to purchase glow sticks. It was seconded b L. Yourman. All present were in favor.

Junior Police Academy: Sgt. Bastinck reported that the Junior Police Academy project will be held August 10 through August 14 for ages 11 to 14 years of age. Fifteen teens are registered so far.

Project Graduation: C. Wagner reported that FL High School requested funding at the last minute to help support their Project Graduation. After discussion, Sgt. Bastinck made a motion to expend up to \$300 for bracelets and/or lanyards and \$800 reimbursement to the PTA Class of 09 provided that they provide all the required documentation. It was seconded by C. Martinez. All present were in favor.

Entertainment Books as a Fundraiser: After discussion, J. Baratta made a motion to do the fundraiser and give away a free book to anyone who sells 10 books. The motion was seconded by

C. Martinez. All present were in favor.

Election of Officers/Nominations & Elections: D. Carney made a motion to keep the same slate of officers. L. Yourman seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

Education on Substance Abuse: L. Fleming spoke about a conference on mental health that she attended at Bergen County Community College.

Teen Night at the Community Center: J. Baratta reported that Panera Bread and Dunkin Donuts made complaints to the Council and wants FLPD to take action to control the teens from hanging out in front of their establishments. Dunkin Donuts offered to provide soda and donuts if the town can involve the teens in activities. The FL Community Center trustees are working on getting the center open for longer hours. L. Yourman mentioned that she has a meeting with the Executive Director of Bergen's Promise and thought that FLASAP can approach the organization for support assistance for teen programs at the FL Community Center.

Meeting Adjournment:

As there was no further business, a motion was made by L. Fleming and seconded by C. Martinez to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21PM. All were in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled on July 15, 2009 at 7:30PM in room 201 of the Fair Lawn Borough Hall.