

# Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention

## Meeting Minutes

### October 21, 2009

#### **Meeting Call to Order:**

The regular meeting of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) was called to order by Vice Chairperson Cindy Martinez at 7:55 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, Treasurer Chuck Logan, Dave Reiter, Lorraine Fleming, Council Liaison Jeanne Baratta, Dennis Carney, Lisa Yourman, and Carol Wagner. Also present was Claude Bienstock a concerned citizen, and Michael Martinez, students of FLHS and Councilperson Ed Trawinski.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

The Minutes of the September 16, 2009 meeting was distributed at the meeting. A motion for approval of the September 16 meeting minutes was made by C. Logan and seconded by L. Fleming. All were in favor.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer C. Logan reported that the FLASAP Checking Account has \$ 12,976.12 and the CD Account have \$ 25, 000.00. Interest from the CD Account was transferred to the Checking Account. A check in the amount of \$826.24 was written for The Junior Police Academy activity.

**Correspondence:** C. Wagner sent an email re: Medicine Cabinet Day on Nov. 14, 2009. The event is a state-wide initiative to collect all old prescriptions so they are less available to teens for "Pharm" parties where teens consume a handful of mixed pills.

#### **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 10/21/09 was distributed.

##### **Fundraising:**

**Entertainment Books:** C. Wagner reported that the books are still available. A press release was put into the Fair Lawn Community News. Books are \$ 30.00 and are available in the Health Dept., Rm. 112, Monday thru Friday, between 8:30AM and 4:30 PM. Ten books were sold.

**Helmet Sales:** Helmets in various sizes and colors are still available in the Health Department. Helmets are \$10.00 each.

##### **Old Business:**

**Explorers:** D. Bastinck reported that the FL Explorers were involved with other Explorer groups from other municipalities for teen bonding. The Explorers will help out Fair Lawn Police Department on Goosey Night, October 30 and will be going on a camping trip in November.

**Teen Night at the Community Center:** J. Baratta reported that there was a Benefit Concert for the Travis Fragola Scholarship Fund and an award for a 15 yr. old from FLAS.

**New Business:**

**TASE Activity:** Teen volunteers are needed. If anyone receives info on a place in Fair Lawn or Ridgewood that sells tobacco to minors, they should report it to C. Wagner to include the location on the list to be inspected.

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

**Fall Grant Activities:**

- 1) Too Smart Too Start for Grades 4 to 6. C. Wagner will contact school officials.
- 2) Parents Who Host Lose the Most—C. Wagner reached out to Bergen County Family Support Organization located in Fair Lawn to do a program with the adjacent House of Worship. Although the Director seemed interested they wanted to be paid for the staff. C. Wagner contacted American Sign Co in Fair Lawn to find out the cost but needs the template in computer format to send to the sign company. L. Fleming and D. Reiter will check their computers and forward.

**Project Graduation:** In order for the grant to cover some expenses, a list of ATOD prevention activities is needed from the High School. D. Bastinck will contact J. Hayek at FLHS. Carol Wagner still did not receive the list.

**7th-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball League:** D. Reiter is overseeing this activity held on Saturday mornings. There is a request for support for T-Shirts. The T-Shirts will have the GCADA Logo on them. J. Baratta made a motion to approve expenditure up to \$700 and L. Yourman seconded the motion. All present at the meeting were in favor.

**CADR Survey:** The Center for Alcohol and Drug Resources (CADR) requested that a survey be completed on substance use/abuse amongst 18-25 yr. olds and the impact on the community. C. Wagner recorded response from the FLASAP members and will fax it to CADR.

**Activity Funding Request for Programs in 2 Middle Schools:** C. Wagner reported that E. Yeager, SAC for TJ Middle School and Memorial Middle School, requested funds for programs. Discussion consensus was that E. Yeager be invited to attend a FLASAP meeting to answer questions about the grant funding that Fair Lawn Middle Schools is receiving from St. Barnabas Hospital.

**Spirit Week Dance:** D. Bastinck forwarded a memo request from the FLHS Student Government Advisor seeking funding for a Spirit Week Dance for all high school students. The funding would offset the ticket price charged to the students to encourage more students to participate. This program is an alternative to private parties where alcohol may be present. J. Baratta made a motion to give \$200.00 for the activity and it was seconded by L. Yourman. All present at the meeting were in favor.

**Meeting Adjournment:**

As there was no further business, a motion was made by C. Martinez and seconded by L. Yourman to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM. All were in favor. The next meeting is scheduled on Nov.18, 2009 at 7:30PM in room 201 of the Fair Lawn Borough Hall.