

# Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention Meeting Minutes March 19, 2008

The regular meeting of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) was called to order at **7:40pm** on March 19, 2008 by President Sgt Derek Bastinck. The meeting was held in Room 201 at the Fair Lawn Borough Hall, 8-01 Fair Lawn Ave., Fair Lawn, NJ.

**Attendance:** A sign in sheet was circulated. Present were: Sgt. Derek Bastinck, Cindy Martinez, Dave Reiter, Dennis Carney, Jeanne Baratta and Carol Wagner. Interested citizens present were: Claude Bienstock.

**Introductions and Announcements:** C. Wagner introduced guest speaker Lyn Bolsen from the Family Support Center of Bergen County located in Fair Lawn. She gave a brief overview of the programs that her agency provides for families with children to strengthen the family unit. L. Bolsen offered an invitation to FLASAP members to visit and find out more and to also refer families to their agency.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by C. Martinez and seconded by D. Reiter to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2007 and January 16, 2008 meetings.

**Treasurers Report:** In the absence of Treasurer Chuck Logan, C. Wagner reported that she gave C. Logan \$525 from the Entertainment Book Sales, \$230 from Helmet Sales and \$300 from Kid Stuff Books for deposit into the FLASAP account.

## **Correspondence, Meeting and Conference Announcements:**

- Email from Assemblywoman Connie Wagner urging support of legislation on A2077/S607 for medical coverage for alcohol and drug dependency treatment.
- Email from L. Fleming on importance of supporting legislation for medical coverage for mental health
- NJPIES—Unintentional Drug Overdose Death Study
- Center for Alcohol & Drug Resources—May 22 Celebration
- Thank you Letter from FLASE for FLASAP donation to Dinner Dance

## **Activity Reports:**

**Grant Coordinators Report:** C. Wagner provided and explained the grant budgetary report for the FLASAP activities.

## **Fundraising:**

**Kid Stuff Books-** C. Wagner mentioned that the Kids Stuff Coupon Books are now available for sale in the Health Department during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm. Ten books were already sold and 1 was given away as a sales incentive since receiving the books in November. Members that sell 5 books they will get 1

for free. The fundraiser was extended until March 31<sup>st</sup> and publicized in the Fair Lawn Community News.

## **Old Business:**

**Explorers-** Sgt. Bastinck informed FLASAP members that there are a total of 20 students registered. The Explorers are for 9<sup>th</sup> grade through College age students. Recent activities at the Police Academy involved handcuffing. D. Bastinck requested \$900 for uniforms to subsidize part of the uniform cost that the Explorers need to purchase.

**Teen Night at the Community Center-** J. Baratta mentioned that she discussed with the 501 (C) (3) Non Profit about financial support of Teen Idol Night. J. Baratta received complaints from parents that the Tuesday night Basketball Kids could not use the Teen Room between games since the Teen Room was in use by the Yoga class that got bumped from the gym for Tuesday Night Basketball.

**Kids off the Street Basketball-** D. Reiter informed the members that Jimmy Hile is doing a very good job as referee for Tuesday Night basketball. Dave stated that he will continue the basketball activity as long as there are enough teens showing up to play. He also extended his thanks and appreciation to C. Martinez for helping every week.

**Chamber of Commerce Proposal for Funding:** D. Reiter reported that he needed a full presentation for the Chamber of Commerce by the third Tuesday to stay in the running for funding support for special activities. C. Wagner will forward the Power Point presentation to D. Reiter.

## **New Business:**

**End “420” Program Presenters:** The program this year will be on Friday, April 18th and will be an all day program in the High School. D. Bastinck, C. Librescu, and D. Carney will be presenters. D. Bastinck recommended that FLASAP provide a \$250 stipend to D. Carney and C. Librescu since they volunteered their time for three years now. A motion was made by J. Baratta to give them the \$250 stipend for the End “420” Program and seconded by C. Martinez. All present were in favor.

**Bike Rodeo:** The Bike Rodeo/Operation Touch a Truck flyer announcement was reviewed by FLASAP and approved with minor changes. C. Wagner will forward the flyer to the Community School for copying and distributing to all of the Fair Lawn Elementary and Middle Schools. A motion was made by J. Baratta and seconded by C. Martinez to expend up to \$100 fro the copying of flyers. All present were in Favor.

**Bike Safety Books & Certificates:** D. Bastinck showed FLASAP the suggested bike safety books and certificates in a catalog and recommended that FLASAP purchase both to give to participants at the Bike Rodeo. A motion was made by C. Wagner and seconded by C. Martinez to expend up to a maximum of \$425 combined for both items. All present were in Favor.

**DARE Activity:** D. Bastinck asked FLASAP to again sponsor four DARE Officers at the annual conference training at \$200 each; maximum of \$800. D. Bastinck made the motion and seconded by D. Reiter. All present were in Favor.

**River Regatta:** J. Baratta informed the group about planning efforts for a River Regatta with a canoe race in the Passaic River, launching from Memorial Park on May 31<sup>st</sup>. The activity will be open to 12 year olds & older. There will also be a fly fishing tournament run by the Boy Scouts. J. Baratta asked if the FLASAP members would like to be involved and help sponsor the event. The consensus by all was to participate.

**Meeting Refreshments:** D. Bastinck purchased and brought in pizza and soda for FLASAP for the meeting of March 19, 2008. Motion was made by J. Baratta and seconded by D. Reiter to reimburse D. Bastinck for the \$25 expenditure for pizza & soda. All present were in Favor.

### **Meeting Adjournment:**

As there was no further business, a motion was made by D. Reiter and seconded by C. Martinez to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:26pm. All in favor.

**Next meeting:** April 16, 2008 at the Fair Lawn Community Center.