

FLASAP - FAIR LAWN ALLIANCE FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

MEETING MINUTES – November 20, 2006

Fair Lawn Municipal Building, Room 201, 8-01 Fair Lawn Ave., Fair Lawn, NJ

The meeting was rescheduled from November 15, 2006 at 7:00 PM to November 20, 2006 at 7:30 PM. Cindy Martinez, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

The attendance sheet was circulated for sign in. Present at the meeting were Jeanne Baratta, Dennis Carney, Lorraine Fleming, Chuck Logan, Cindy Martinez, and Carol Wagner. Also present at the meeting were concerned citizen, Claude Bienstock and Nancy Cochrane from the Municipal Alliance.

Dennis Carney motioned to accept the October 25, 2006 minutes and the motioned was seconded by Carol Wagner. The minutes were accepted all in favor, none opposed, following an email vote.

Treasurers Report: Chuck Logan, Treasurer, stated that the balance in the checking account is \$9,313.46. The CD balance is \$25,327.20.

Introductions: Members and guests were introduced.

Grant Coordinators Report: Carol Wagner provided the grant report. The County Alliance has not yet approved the 2007 Grant Activities Report submitted. Matthew Markman, SAC, FLHS, advised he would like to hold the Peer Leadership money as proposed for next year, but he does not need it this year. \$2600 is available for approval for other activities. The Village Key Club at Thomas Jefferson Middle School was partially funded with a TV monitor using cash match funds. As per Marla Klein, Bergen County Municipal Alliance Coordinator, only \$500 of grant funds can go towards the purchase of equipment. Videos for substance abuse prevention programs will be researched for viewing on the monitor. A Red Ribbon Week video will be purchased for each middle school and the high school. The Village Key Club stresses good citizenship, attendance, good grades, and service. They performed a large food drive on behalf of the Health and Human Services Department and the foods were delivered to the pantry. Matt Markman, SAC, FLHS, requested funds for a speaker at the high schools who provides an anti substance use message.

Parents Who Host Lose the Most: Jeanne Baratta suggested a town meeting. On November 21, 2006, the ordinance is back on the Council agenda. She expressed a thank you to everyone who came to the meeting and to those who spoke at the meeting. Mayor Etlar received many emails following the work session. Jeanne spoke with Dee DeBarnardis at the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and she will help with the town meeting. The town meeting may be planned for spring before prom season. It was agreed that literature bags would be purchased before the end of the year. Other suggestions for the town meeting are to keep it all in the same room and not split up the presentation and other related activities to be planned.

Fundraising –

Helmet Inventory: Thirteen (12) helmets are in the inventory. This helmet campaign has been very successful.

Entertainment Books: Profit to date is \$205. A second order was made. Sale ends December 31, and we take a vote at the next meeting whether to return or purchase left over books.

KidStuff Coupon Books: Profit is \$62.50 and these will be on sale until February 2007.

Magazine Sales: The magazine online fundraiser was reactivated for holiday gift giving. The new profit is \$33.20. Please forward the email to your contacts.

OLD BUSINESS

Explorers: No report.

Red Ribbon Week: Reports from Mrs. Rochford at the high school, Eileen Yeager at the Middle Schools, and the Principal of St. Anne's given as collected by L. Fleming. Red Ribbon Week was a success in all of the schools.

Teen Night at Community Center: Councilwoman Jeanne Baratta reported information is still pending from John Cosgrove of the 5013C group. She will speak to the high school for a Boptones concert. Friday nights 10:30 pm – 12 midnight for the teen lounge was offered for a FLASAP activity. All activity participants should have a recreation ID card. No decision has been made as to what activity to hold in that particular room during the time period offered.

Devils Tickets: No sales report was given. Postcards were mailed by the Devil's to residents.

Donation Request: A thank you was received by Cindy Martinez for the gift basket donated to "North Jersey Rangers, girls fast pitch softball".

Saturday Basketball Sponsor Request: Dave Reiter provided his report to Lorraine Fleming for the Saturday Morning Basketball League for 7 – 8th graders. A vote was previously taken and it was agreed to allocate \$600 for the purchase of team shirts with the Alliance logo.

NEW BUSINESS

Street Fairs: The new dates for the street fairs are: Radburn June 10, 2007 and River Road October 21, 2007. A vote to participate will be taken at the December meeting.

High School Basketball – Keep Kids off the Street: Dave Reiter provided his report to L. Fleming. Jim Graff, Recreation Department, has the gym at the Community Center available for Tuesday nights, 7:30 – 9:30 PM. Information will follow for registrations.

Valentine's Day Dance – February Dances: L. Fleming emailed the supervisors of these activities at the high school and middle schools stated that if they were interested in funding to please respond prior to the December meeting.

AA Literature: A catalog of literature is available to order literature that was donated to us in the past.

Candlelight Ceremony: Lt. Bob Kneer, of the Fair Lawn Police Department and President of END DWI has requested our assistance at the Monday, December 11, 2006 ceremony in Hackensack. The ceremony starts at 7pm. We can help with registrations if we arrived at 6:30pm. Carol Wagner will check on the availability of the mini bus, provided we have enough participants to use the bus. L. Fleming will contact members and contacts via email to see if they are available to participate. Nancy Cochrane explained the history of this emotional ceremony held in honor of those killed and injured in DWI accidents. The names are read from a scroll that spans twenty years. It is a good ceremony for troubled youth to observe and participate in. Fair Lawn has the second largest END DWI chapter.

Municipal Alliance Breakfast: Dennis C. reported on the breakfast held at the Fiesta on November 16, 2006. Several ideas from Partnership for a Drug Free NJ were presented. ICE ID cards are available in bulk from Dee at the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 20, 2006, 7 PM, Room 201.

After there was no further business to be discussed, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:28 pm by Cindy Martinez and seconded by Jeanne Baratta. All were in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Fleming
Recording Secretary