

FLASAP

April 20, 2005

Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Carol Wagner at 7:40 PM. Board members present at the meeting were Lorraine Fleming, Joel Liebman, Cindy Martinez and Carol Wagner. Sgt. Robert Boyle joined the meeting after it was called to order. Kenneth Bratspies attended on behalf of the Fair Lawn Board of Education.

The March 16, 2005 minutes were accepted with an addendum by email vote with seven in favor; none opposed. Carol Wagner proposed the motion to accept, Cindy Martinez seconded the motion.

Chuck Logan was not present to provide a Treasurer's Report. Monies collected this month will be turned over to Chuck: \$108 Helmet and t-shirt sales from the Bike Rodeo, \$4 donations, \$5.50 Kick Butts Day.

Activity Reports

Grant Coordinator's Report: We are on budget. The Alliance has not be contacted by St. Anne's for graduation activity funding or Senior Olympics for a donation.

New Members: No new members have been recruited this month. Post cards and emails were sent to the contact list to keep them informed of activities and meeting dates.

Special Project Fund: Marla Klein advised that due to several Bergen County towns no longer applying for the grant, there is additional project money available in the amount of \$2,000 - \$4000 for new projects. Applications for this project money must be submitted by may 25, 2005.

Fundraising: Kid Stuff Coupon Book profits \$225. The Recycling Program has \$66.04 pending from InkBank for two cases of recycled ink jet and laser cartridges. Two cases were sent to Ecco Recycling and are pending payment. Thank you letters were sent to contributors. The eFund Magazine sales are at a standstill. Members are encouraged to forward emails to their contacts. \$33.60 is pending for prior sales.

Bike Rodeo: 25 bike helmets were sold. An additional order has been placed for special orders and to have a limited supply available for purchase at the Health Department and at the Radburn Street Fair.

Dr. Michael Fowlin: Dr. Fowlin, a speaker with nine character roles; including substance abuse, peer pressure and suicide, appeared at the Middle Schools on April 1, 2005. Joel Liebman gave a positive review based on several of his opportunities to have seen Dr. Fowlin's presentation at conferences he attended. Eileen Yeager, SAC at the Middle Schools arranged the assembly under the Peer Mediation Activity. L. Fleming was present at the assembly. Mr. Bratspies expressed his interest on the Elementary School level.

Kick Butts Day: On April 13, 2005 the Middle Schools held Kick Butts Day, which is a youth tobacco awareness program. Eileen Yeager, SAC at the Middle Schools reached out to the entire student body with assistance from REBEL (Reaching Out By Exposing Lies) students by presenting "what's really in a cigarette." The activity received positive press review in The Shopper with a follow up article. Julio Fleming, a Thomas Jefferson student, explained the memorial board with memory cards for people who died from smoking related causes and

"kick it" red stop sign shaped cards for posting the name of someone you wished to stop smoking. Every student received a "1200" red silicone bracelet in memory of the 1200 people who die each day from tobacco. Bracelets were funded by FLASAP.

Old Business

Fair Lawn High School Representatives: We had not had the opportunity to meet the second representative appointed.

Explorers: Sgt. Boyle reported that there are eighteen members. He prepared the purchase orders for fees for the Advisor Explorers Academy, \$670, and the registration fee for the State Explorers Academy, \$300. Sgt. Boyle stated that uniforms are required and will cost approximately \$100 for each member.

Memorial Day Parade: \$200 was approved previously for expenses. Volunteers are needed for the parade.

Radburn Street Fair: Carol Wagner motioned to expend \$50 for the street fair table on June 5, 2005. Cindy Martinez seconded the motion. An email vote followed the meeting. The motion was passed seven in favor; none opposed. \$200 was voted and accepted for expenses at a prior meeting which did not include the table cost. Joel Liebman suggested a "guess how many" jar with a prize.

New Business

Mr. Kenneth Bratspies, Elementary Curriculum Coordinator for the Fair Lawn Board of Education, presented a proposal for a new after school activity at the Middle Schools. The proposed activity created by Eileen Yeager and Ken Bratspies is proposed to run for the entire 2005-2006 school year with Eileen Yeager as the coordinator. Students will participate in an eight week program for story board writing and video production of violence and substance awareness topics. Students will provide a "positive view with a positive voice." The productions will be shown to the student body and on Cable 77. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Commission has provided a \$3,000 grant for the facilitators of the program. The activity will require an equipment budget as proposed by Mr. Bratspies in the amount of \$3,177. Carol Wagner motioned to accept the proposal and support this new activity. Cindy Martinez seconded the motion. C. Wagner will contact the County regarding money allocations if this proposal is passed. An email vote following the meeting passed the motion with seven in favor; none opposed.

Peer Leadership Committee: Joel Liebman responded, on behalf of the Peer Leadership Committee, to the invitation to show the Peer Leadership Conference slide show at the May 18, 2005 meeting.

Project Graduation: The Marathon Committee requested a donation in line with prior donations for the substance free graduation activities. A motion was made by Cindy Martinez to support project graduation in the amount of \$950. Carol Wagner seconded the motion. A follow up vote by email passed the motion with seven votes in favor; none opposed.

The next meeting is May 18, 2005 at 7:30 PM. At this meeting there will be a nomination of 2005-2006 Officers.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by L. Fleming to adjourn the meeting after there was no further business to be discussed. Cindy Martinez seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

