



South Kingstown Partnership for Prevention

April 10, 2014

4:30-6:30pm

SKPD Community Room

**MINUTES:**

In Attendance: Erin Pierce, Amanda Mather, Kathy Egan, Capt. Joel Ewing-Chow, Joan Jackson, Sally Genest, Christi Saurette, Keith Mcnamar, Theresa Benoit, Carol Pilkington, Lisa DeMaria, Heidi Driscoll

Students: Javen Genest (9<sup>th</sup>), Lena Genest (8<sup>th</sup>), Emma Mather (10<sup>th</sup>) Ryan Doyle (8<sup>th</sup>), Haley Benoit (6<sup>th</sup>)

- **Logo-**
  - Our new Logo was revealed
  - Blank business cards will be made for coalition members.
  - T-shirts will be ordered
- **RI Student Survey**
  - Results from 2012-2013 survey
    - Perception of lack of positive reinforcement from teachers
    - Perception that making fun of a person does not constitute bullying
    - Perception of ease of accessibility to cigarettes, alcohol and marijuana
    - Perception that there is little to no risk associated with smoking marijuana 1-2 times/wk
    - Growing use of OTC and Non-Medical Use prescriptions
  - School committee approval is needed to administer for this year, it is on Agenda for April 15th
- **CADCA Mid-Year Conference Coalition Building**
  - There is money in budget for one person to go with Heidi, the conference is in Florida July 20-24
- **A2E Committee**
  - The A2E committee met on April 2, 2014
  - Short term goal of committee is to bring A2E Jr. Policy into CCMS.
  - A Student Athlete survey will be administered to student athletes at the end of this school year (school committee approval needed)
  - Chris Herron is booked for August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to kick off A2E Student Athlete Presentation



- **SKPD Update**
  - April 26, 2014 is a National Drug Take Back Day. 10-2 at SKPD
  - The partnership is going to assist and put posters around town
  - WE will also put something out on list-serve so SK families are aware of Take Back
  - SKPD still looking into a way to dispose of Meds if the Partnership was to supply a permanent Med Return Box. The Box looks like a mail box and would be bolted down placed in the lobby of SKPD.
  - There are two events at URI that the partnership will financially assist with extra patrols. It is felt that these will be events attended by SKHS students.
- **Fun Night Lock In-**
  - Erin Pierce reported out the schedule of events-
  - DJ, Karaoke, Pizza, Games, Ice Cream, Yearbook signing, Trivia, Bingo, Movie,
  - We are looking for student volunteers to run all activities
  - The committee will begin to canvas town to solicit donations and food requests
  - Capt. Ewing-Chow will post detail, a police officer will be present from 10pm -6am
  - A fire Marshall will not be necessary
  - A letter went out to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents with attached survey to begin to get an estimate of how many students will attend
- **Slogan Contest Winners-**
  - Two slogan were picked from over 330 entries
  - Haley Benoit (6<sup>th</sup> grader a BRMS) "Be Strong, Drugs are Wrong"
  - Peter McGreen (9<sup>th</sup> Grader at SKHS ) "Weed DESTROYS Lives and Lawns"
  - Both were attendance at the meeting and were presented with certificates and \$100 Visa gift cards.
  - A picture was taken for the paper, list serve announcement will go out
  - Promotional items will be made, i.e. wristbands, t-shirts,
- **Open Discussion**
  - An open discussion ensued around the marijuana forum highlighting various areas that students felt there could be more guidance given to incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders. It was suggested a pamphlet could be produced to include support staff and other items to assist with the transition into SKHS. This could be handed out during freshman orientation while the students met with their advisory teacher.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**May 8, 2014, 4:30-6:30 pm SKPD Community Room**

**June 12, 2014, 4:30-6:30 pm SKPD Community Room**

