

# South Kingstown Partnership for Prevention

## Meeting Minutes



<b>Program/Area:</b>	<i>Coalition December Meeting</i>
<b>Meeting Purpose:</b>	<i>Review and Plan</i>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	<i>12-10-2015</i>
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	<i>4:30 pm</i>
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	<i>SK Police Department Community Room</i>
<b>Meeting Facilitator:</b>	<i>Heidi Driscoll</i>
<b>Invitees/Attendees:</b>	Erin Pierce, Amanda Mather, Joel Ewing-Chow, Natalie Kimmerlein, Sydney Pellegrino, Maggie Rodgers, Ryan Doyle, Erica Estus, Steve Geisler, Kathleen Egan, Kaleigh Meich, Tahira Houghton, Katie Mackrell, Paul Florin, Sally Genest, Martha Barbera, Margaret Healy, Not in Attendance: Keith McNamar, Emma Mather, Celeste Corcoran, Carol Pilkington, Christine Fish, Theresa Benoit, Jon Kimpton, Aimee Reiner, Maureen Tissiere, Christi Saurette, David Neill, Tammy McNeiece, Joan Jackson, Scott Mueller, Dave Melucci, Haley Benoit
<b>Minutes Issued By:</b>	<i>Erin Pierce</i>

<b>Next Steps:</b> (Task, Assigned to, Checkpoint Date)	<b>Who?</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
CCMS SADD Dance, 1/22/16	Erin	
Parent Workshops, 1/22/16	Heidi	
Continue Coalition Training	Nancy	

<b>Decisions Made:</b> (What, Why, Impacts)

<b>Discussion:</b> (Items/Knowledge Shared)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting called to order 4:37</li> <li>• Kathy Egan approved November minutes. Katie MacKrell seconded the motion.</li> <li>• Welcome back Margaret Healy and a sad good bye to Tahira Houghton. Best of luck as you move to your new high school in New Hampshire.</li> <li>• Erica Estes, URI College of Pharmacy professor will be recommending two college students for the spring semester through the Pharmacy Service Learning Program. They will be a big help with the spring programs and activities we have planned at CCMS, SKHS and Prout.</li> <li>• Captain Joel Ewing-Chow reported that the new Dean of Prout had showed interest in starting some education and drug prevention programs at the school. Since that conversation, the Dean has reached out to SKPP to request that Prout parents be invited to the January parent workshops. We will be sending out the tri-fold invitation right after the first of January.</li> <li>• Martha Barbera reported out on SADD at CCMS. The SADD students have planned a door decorating contest for the school during the month of December to remember their victim, Tim Stein. The doors will reflect Tim's love of the fall season. The doors will be judged on December 23.</li> <li>• SADD at CCMS and SKPP are also partnering to host a dance and parent workshops on January 22. The three workshops, Brain Development in Youth, Conversation Starters with Your Teen and the E-Cigarettes/Vaping workshops</li> </ul>

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### Discussion: (Items/Knowledge Shared)

have all been staffed and planning for the dance and workshops are well under way. We will need volunteers from the coalition at the dance and/or workshops. If you are interested in volunteering please contact us.

- Captain Joel Ewing-Chow reported that the last few months in South Kingstown for youth drug and alcohol incidences has been quiet. There have been no reported over doses. The drop box for unwanted medicine in the police station is still being utilized frequently. Joel is emptying the drop box approximately every 3 weeks when it becomes full. A banner will also be placed at the police station soon advertising the drop box. Lastly, Joel reported out on the two SRO officers at SKHS and CCMS. Officer Jerry is volunteering Wednesday morning in the Wednesday A.M. Enrichment Program at the high school playing basketball. The students are really enjoying this time with Officer Jerry and Coach Cruz. Officer Melucci who is the SRO at CCMS has also expressed that his job is going well and students, staff and parents are responding positively to his presence at the school.
- Youth Coalition and STAND students reported out on Wednesday morning meetings at the high school. Students spoke about the three different groups that formed within the coalition to work on the specific topics of alcohol, marijuana and illegal use of prescription drugs. The student groups are working on a rap video, cartoon and an interactive soccer ball game. There will be more to come as the students continue to work on these projects.
- Erin Pierce spoke about the clothing closet at the high school which will provide clothing to students in need. The closet will be outfitted by donations from teachers and staff and we hope that students will find their needs better met by having this available to them.
- Paul Florin issued a survey to the coalition. He also spoke of the requirement of all DFC grantees to administer the Rhode Island Student Survey.

### Miscellaneous Items:

- Next Meeting January 14
- **Meetings for Year**  
February 11, March 10, April 14, May 12  
June date to be determined

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<b>Miscellaneous Items:</b>
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ All meetings 4:30 , SKPD Community Room</li></ul> |
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