

South Kingstown Partnership for Prevention

Meeting Minutes



Program/Area:	<i>Coalition October Meeting</i>
Meeting Purpose:	<i>Review and Plan</i>
Meeting Date:	<i>10-17-2016</i>
Meeting Time:	<i>4:30 pm</i>
Meeting Location:	<i>New Life Assembly, 251 Post Rd. Wakefield</i>
Meeting Facilitator:	<i>MK Whitten</i>
Invitees/Attendees:	Keith McNamar, Erin Pierce, Katie MacKrell, Maureen Tissiere, Tammy McNeiece, Natalie Kimmerlein, Maggie Rodgers, Capt. Joel Ewing-Chow, Carol Pilkington, Erica Estus, Sylvia Bogusz, Alyssa Capuano, Paul Florin, Sally Genest, Celeste Corcoran, David Neill, Joan Jackson, Callie Jackson, Lisa Kennedy Not in Attendance: Aimee Reiner, Amanda Mather, Christine Fish, Christi Saurette, Christi Saurette, Dave Melucci, David Neill, David Patrone, Elizabeth Gledhill, Hailey Benoit, Joan Jackson, Joe Viele, Jon Kimpton, Kaitlin Hitchings, Karen Murphy, Patricia Aull, Perry Rasso, Rachel Clough, Robert Mezzanotte, Sara Palombo, Sydney Pellagrino, Theresa Benoit, Meg Healy, Martha Barbera, Kathleen Egan, Scott Mueller
Minutes Issued By:	<i>MK Whitten</i>

Next Steps: (Task, Assigned to, Checkpoint Date)	Who?	Due Date
Work Groups Sustainability- Recruitment and generation of funds-event to boost recruitment, retreat?	All	
Implementation- policy, education and media- youth sponsored event, ex. Painting night, youth group event at YMCA	All	

Decisions Made: (What, Why, Impacts)

Discussion: (Items/Knowledge Shared)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order 4:33 • Keith made a motion to approve minutes and Joel seconded the motion. • Introductions were made of staff and members • Old Business- Katie shared out about our Opioid Awareness Forum on 9/20 with panel and viewing of Chasing the Dragon. Katie shared how we will be simulating this type of forum at SKHS with the showing of the same documentary, panel discussion and follow-ups in small groups. David shared we showed a 22 min condensed version during the Opioid Forum/Town Hall Meeting. Joel shared that he wished we had more time to get message that SKPD working to solve the problem and how SKPD is working to fix this. Everyone expressed feeling more time for audience members to speak and participate would have benefitted the town. • Parenting Series-MK shared out dates of free parenting series geared towards parents of K-6th grade students and passed out flyer. People may attend all or 1 of this 3-part

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series: How to Empower Your Child, Oct. 24th (6:30-8PM), How to Grow “Emotional Intelligence” Nov. 3rd (6:30-8) and How to Resolve Conflicts, and Feel Better When They’re Over, Nov. 14th (6:30-8). All workshops at the Narragansett Community Center, 53 Mumford Rd., Narragansett.

- **Law Enforcement Update-** Joel reported SKPD stepping forward to purchase Narcan to officers with officer training within next 2 months. Shared that SK has seen more than its fair share of overdoses, and without Narcan too late to help. They will be using the nasal spray (easier to administer and more cost effective). National Drug take back day this Saturday 10/22, sponsoring pick up day from 10-2:00 on national level. Last time they collected a few hundred pounds of meds. Alyssa shared no risk of overdose with Narcan and David shared he will be running heroin forum in East Bay area Nov. 3rd. David shared they are seeing more and more problems with fentanyl. Once heroin refined to be snorted, bodies build tolerance then people move to injecting, now moving to fentanyl and carfentanyl and he is now seeing spike in deaths from people thinking they buy heroin, but actually receive fentanyl. Trend appears to be a spike in deaths to chase the bigger high. Reported trend in people obtaining Narcan to use when they get the fentanyl. Law enforcement sometimes administers Narcan to themselves prior to raids
- **Paul Florin RISS Data-** Paul shared govt through DFC grant to award SK \$125,000/yr. to address marijuana and non-med use of prescription drugs (not about heroin). Shared there can be deaths from prescription abuse. This survey does not separate out kinds of prescription drugs. 1st page regarding 30-day prevalence, 2nd page perceptions of risk, 3rd page perception of peer disapproval. Started reviewing last page, reported no surprise, 80-90% of kids’ feel parents would think it would be wrong to drink, smoke tobacco or marijuana or prescription drugs. This shows the message of harm is being communicated to children, parents are communicating their disapproval of these substances. On the first page after the cover, fed govt requires breakdown by grade, gender every other year, once obtained Paul enters data. Fed govt did not give us the money to address all issues that were in the survey; funds are for marijuana and non-prescription drugs. When you look at use of last 30 days, marijuana use increases from 12.4% in 9th grade to 31% by senior year. Roughly 1/3 of high school seniors using. Target here to reduce the current marijuana prevalence by 10% by Sept. 2010. Based on data from smoking and drinking, this is doable. In 2011, 20% of students smoking cig., in 2015 5%. So message about not smoking cigarettes has gotten across. RI has one of lowest rates in country for youth smoking cigarettes. Alcohol in 2011, 27% of high school reported one or more drinks in past 30 days, now down to 21%. Data suggests SK targeted the correct things. Prescription drug use will be harder to address because our base rate is low (2.6%). Good news is that we can do things to prevent future use since use is relatively low now. David asked if cigarette data included e-cigarette, and Paul stated the data does not include e-cigarettes. Paul said we have worked to reduce usage before, in 2009, 38% of students were drinking. 2nd page, perception of risk with alcohol, smoking and prescription drugs perception of risk high. The bad news is that when looking at the data for smoking marijuana once or twice a week, students are perceiving less risk with smoking marijuana. Big jump in both use and decrease of perceived risk for marijuana from 9th to 10th grades. SK one of only 2 schools in state that could use data due to valid response rate. SK in in middle of

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state/slightly higher for marijuana use. Survey will be done again in 2 years. Next month, Paul can report on issues not directly related to the DFC.

- **Youth Coalition Report out-** Maggie shared out about registering for Youth conference and working on increasing participation for Youth coalition since club fair open to all grades. Working on creative ways to express statistics with above the influence posters and competition with posters. Bowl like Madd coming up Nov. 19th. Natalie shared we had first Youth Coalition meeting and brainstorming stress relieving activities, etc. Brainstormed other mock tail events. Erica offered Alyssa to help with red ribbon week activities. -
- **School Building Report Out-**Katie shared having a great start to the year, reported on week of activities with showing of the film. MK and Katie shared collaboration with PE/Health teachers; David Neill and other experts coming in to provide PD to teachers
- **Open Discussion-** Alyssa shared she is participating in service learning with URI to provide activities for 5th-6th grade students. She is working with her friend from Chariho. Alyssa asked for feedback about getting conversation starts to introduce substance abuse talk. Fake med cabinet for what's safe and not, expiration dates, how to store medications. Meds/candy; toothpaste/ointment; brief intro with scavenger hunts for ID of drugs etc. Erin shared aside from teaching children what's available we need to work on self-esteem to help prevent self-medicating. Maggie shared Team Spirit enjoying activity with playdoh to destress. Erica mentioned ID peer pressure and can be own person with own thoughts without trying to "fit in." Dr. Corcoran suggested a contest, is this a candy or medication that's unsafe, put in buckets with teams, and do same with behaviors, is this a healthy behavior or unsafe, etc. Erin said Andy and Elena did program similar to this last year. Maggie mentioned youth coalition went to 5th and 6th and made t-shirts Katie shared Tues Oct. 25th 7 pm. community forum meeting on Transgender and LGBT issues similar set up to the opioid forum
- Work Group choices and division- Paul abstained from participating in groups as our evaluator. Implementation group consists of Erica Estes, Lisa Kennedy, Alyssa Capuano, Maureen Tissiere, Sylvia Bogusz, Joan Jackson and Sallie Jackson, Natalie Kimmerlein, Maggie Rodgers. Sustainability- Sally Genest, Keith McNamar, Carol Pilkington, Katie MacKrell, David Neill, Celeste Corcoran
- Groups will report out at next meeting

Miscellaneous Items:

- Next Meeting November 14th
- **Meetings for Year:** November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June date TBD * All meetings 4:30, New Life Assembly, 251 Post Rd. Wakefield; 4:30-5:00 work group meetings, 5:00-6:00 Coalition meeting