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CARLSBAD COMMUNITY ANTI-DRUG/GANG COALITION

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AGENDA

Community Board Meeting
City of Carlsbad Planning Room
ZOOM MEETING
December 2, 2020 4:00PM – 5:00PM

Silent prayer/meditation
thought (voluntary):

*Safety for our law enforcement
personnel during the holiday
season*

- I. Call to Order/Moment of Silence
- II. Sign in/Introductions
- III. Approval of October 7, 2020 and Last Month's Meeting's Minutes
- IV. Treasury Report
- V. Program updates
- VI. Old Business
 - Action Teams
- VII. New Business/Announcements
- VIII. Adjournment

Factoid of the Month:

COUGH & COLD MEDICINES

How Cough and Cold Medicines Are Misused

Cough and cold medicines are usually sold in liquid syrup, capsule, or pill form. They may also come in a powder. Drinking promethazine-codeine cough syrup mixed with soda (a combination called "lean" or "sizzurp") was referenced frequently in some popular music beginning in the late 1990s and has become increasingly popular among youth in several areas of the country.

Young people are often more likely to misuse cough and cold medicines containing DXM than some other drugs because these medicines can be purchased without a prescription.

Source: <https://teens.drugabuse.gov/drug-facts/cough-and-cold-medicines>

CARLSBAD COMMUNITY ANTI-DRUG/GANG COALITION

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**October 7, 2020 – City of Carlsbad Planning Room
4:00PM**

PRESENT:

Executive Director: Joana Wells; Coalition Program Manager: Tiffany Shirley; Coalition Program Manager: Julie Onsurez; SPF/Teen Court Assistant: Samantha Smith; OSAP Prevention Manager: Erin Williams; Youth Interns: Hannah Kim & Brandon Carrasco; Exec. Board of Directors: Mary Garwood (Community Chair and Exec. Board Secretary) & Jacob Puckett; Carlsbad Police Dept.: Cpl. Joshua Calder; Eddy County DWI Program: Ashlyn Lujan
Community: Norbert Rempe & Tammy Frintz

Meeting called to Order:

Mary Garwood at 4:02PM

Moment of Silence ensued.

SIGN IN/INTRODUCTIONS:

Round Robin of attendees.

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

Motion to Approve Minutes: Josh Calder

Seconded: Norbert Rempe

All in favor. Motion Carried

TREASURY REPORT: Joana Wells

August 2020 Expenses: \$32,822.68

August 2020 Income: \$0.00

September 2020 Expenses: \$35,775.05

September 2020 Income: \$0.00

Ending balance as of 9/30/2020: \$129,679.67

PROGRAM UPDATES:

Joana Wells announced that Kelli Barta and Jacob Puckett have joined the Coalition's Executive Board and welcomed SPF/Teen Court Assistant Samantha Smith to the Coalition as the latest addition to the team. Julie Onsurez reported that 23 students that are participating in the TOP program at this time. She and Samantha Smith are working on bringing Eddy County Teen Court online and find ways to substitute COVID safe practices into the program. Also, they are working with the Sixth Grade Academy to bring focus into the community for parents with the Parent in Action outreach program. Julie stated they are working with merchants in the area regarding new legislation regarding sales of tobacco and proper sales practices regarding these changes.

Tiffany Shirley reported that she is working on the new federal grant and bringing curriculum into the Carlsbad Municipal Schools when the time is allowed. She states that they are beginning a partnership opportunity with CASA in which they will be working with youth in the foster system for outreach, as youth in the foster system are deemed as "high risk". Media outreaches are continuing with underage drinking and illegal drug campaigns. Facebook reach included over 26,000 views over the last month.

Erin Williams is handling the OSAP grant and reports that alternate methods have been utilized this month for outreach. The Coalition partnered with “Queen Up The Guads” last week and handed out bags for participants in which neighborhood night out and Coalition community resources were handed out. She has been working with United Way to partner with their food distribution services. Erin went on to say that she has been in conversations with CCAC in town and a newly introduced idea of a homeless shelter for runaway/homeless teenagers. Samantha Smith reported that the Coalition staff attended virtual training over substance abuse was conducted last week over the course of 4 days. Joana stated a new training is coming up over vaping and e-cigarettes. Tammy Frintz stated that she’s concerned over the rates of suicides she’s been hearing about in the state. Joana said that the Parents in Action teams hope to reach households with resources to provide families some outlet for these concerns. Joana says that one of their goals is to meet with Carlsbad Police Dept. to start patrolling for party patrols to identify underage drinking parties. Joana stated that a long term goal is to have a policy change regarding underage drinking parties.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Action Teams- N/A**

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jacob reported that Albertsons is busy helping Packs for Hunger with their outreach program. He explained the program and how it works. The A-Team Volunteers help with labor packing the bags and in providing a discount when the group purchases items from their store. Ashlyn with DWI briefed the group about Suicide Prevention Month, radio outreaches, and partnering with Coalition on Parent in Action teams. She stated they are working on Red Ribbon Week for the last week of October and will be coordinating with Java Nick’s for the outreach. She asked for some help with distributing flyers and posters commemorating Red Ribbon week as well. Joana stated they could help with this effort.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mary Garwood adjourned the meeting at 4:52PM

Minutes Submitted by Mary Garwood

CARLSBAD COMMUNITY ANTI-DRUG/GANG COALITION

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2020 – City of Carlsbad Planning Room
4:00PM

PRESENT:

Executive Director: Joana Wells; Coalition Program Evaluator; Coalition Program Manager: Tiffany Shirley; Coalition Program Manager: Julie Onsurez; SPF/Teen Court Assistant: Samantha Smith; OSAP Prevention Manager: Erin Williams; Youth Intern: Hannah Kim; Exec. Board of Directors: Mary Garwood (Community Chair and Exec. Board Secretary) and Kelli Barta; Carlsbad Police Dept.: Cpl. Joshua Calder; & The Foundry: Jamie Rose

Meeting called to Order:

Mary Garwood at 4:13PM

Moment of Silence ensued.

SIGN IN/INTRODUCTIONS:

Round Robin of attendees.

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

Unable to approve due to not having enough members in attendance from October 7, 2020 meeting.

TREASURY REPORT: Joana Wells

PROGRAM UPDATES: The following items were discussed

(taken from November 2020 Coalition Newsletter)

SPF -Strategic Partnership Framework (Prevention in Motion) - Update: Tiffany and Samantha are currently implementing the Prevention in Motion program with 3 teens through our partnership with CASA. This 3-week pilot program will be concluding on November 6th. The participants have been working through the All-Stars curriculum online with group meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays via Zoom. We have been discussing our future goals and how to make our ideal futures possible. They have also been working on some drug research projects by utilizing the Foundation for a Drug Free World e-booklets, as well as completing The Truth About Drugs E-Course. Tiffany and Sarah have been busy keeping the Parents in Action group updated with new content. October was focused on Safe Storage and Disposal of Prescription Medications. November units are coming soon and will be focused on Underage Drinking. Tiffany was also able to present local survey results and discuss local trends with the TOP parent group in October. At the end of October, we applied for the Chevron Catalyst Grant through the Carlsbad Foundation. Obtaining this funding will allow us to provide gift card incentives to encourage more participants to take advantage of this programming. The current health restrictions have forced us to re-strategize since we are unsure when we will be allowed to return to in-person implementation with Carlsbad Schools.

OSAP (Office of Substance Abuse Prevention) - Update: Erin has been focusing on getting safe medication disposal information out to the community through partnerships with the United Way, Meals on Wheels, local pharmacies and the “Queen Up the Guads” event in October. Since we were not able to facilitate National Night Out, due to the pandemic, we have found other opportunities to disseminate this

information throughout the community. The “You Can Prevent Rx Drug Abuse!” ad at the top of the next page was created by Tiffany and was displayed on the Hope Center’s digital billboard throughout October and paid for by the OSAP grant. Erin is also working on building our relationships with our participating pharmacies by making frequent contact and ensuring the pharmacies are supplied with the Prescription Bag Tags, which highlights safe storage and disposal of prescription medications. Julie and Erin have been finishing the SYNAR projects throughout October, completing the Merchant Education Visits, which inform tobacco retailers about the newest legislation on tobacco sales that changed the legal age to purchase tobacco to 21 years. Erin has spent many hours completing virtual trainings and webinars increasing her knowledge and capacity for this new position. Description: OSAP preventionists are committed to the implementation of evidence-based prevention programs and infrastructure development activities. OSAP delivers effective prevention services aimed at reducing alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse, which includes reducing underage drinking, binge drinking and DWI, reducing prescription painkiller misuse and abuse, reducing adult binge drinking and DWI and reducing prescription painkiller opioid overdose related deaths. We work towards improving these goals by partnering with local law enforcement, school administration, pharmacies, medical providers, parent trainings and many other community organizations.

STOP (Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking) - Update: We have ordered updated All-Stars curriculum which accommodates virtual programming in order to prepare for extended health orders. We are continuing to work towards implementing programming with the Carlsbad 6th Grade Academy, however, they have requested we delay programming with their students until in-person schooling has been reinstated. Due to the uncertainty of in-person schooling for the upcoming semester, we have begun pursuing other opportunities to implement virtual STOP programming with middle school youth. Julie has requested and received permission to offer STOP Programming to Jefferson Montessori Students and is currently working on implementing their first program group this semester. Julie has also worked on the creation of the Parents in Action Group, along with Tiffany and Sarah. This group will be used to reach parent groups while we are unable to hold in-person trainings, as well as to supplement future trainings.

TOP (Teen Outreach Program) - Update: Julie and Sarah have spent the month of October laying the groundwork within TOP Club, including a “Code of Conduct” and “Rights and Responsibilities.” They have been holding weekly TOP club meetings via Google Hangouts with the assistance of Mr. Nieto at Jefferson Montessori Academy, to discuss the weekly curriculum lesson and discuss service learning projects. As so many things do, TOP looks a lot different this semester than ever before. Instead of focusing on group projects, we have needed to shift our focus toward individual service projects that the youth can safely complete from home. At the end of October, we held a Parent Orientation via Zoom to implement the Playground to Prom Workshop. We were able to record the meeting and will be distributing it to the guardians who were unable to attend the live session.

TEEN COURT- Update: The Teen Court Team has been working diligently to train and prepare to move to a virtual setting to hear cases in court. They have also continued to support the Youth Attorneys in Teen Court and to promote the message of the Coalition through social media. Our Youth Representatives have mentored attorneys through trainings and have prepared, organized, and ran mock trials with the youth team. We are conducting weekly trainings on Tuesday evenings at 5pm for our youth attorneys to become familiar with the virtual settings and prepare for upcoming opportunities to hear court cases. We have reached out to Municipal and Magistrate Courts to ensure they are aware we will soon be prepared to accept referrals again for Teen Court cases in a virtual setting. Both courts have stated that youth cases are much less frequent without school referrals, however they will continue to refer cases our way when possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Action Teams- N/A**

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: Jamie Rose from Southeast NM Community Advocacy Center's The Foundry Home presented their new and upcoming program to offer a place for high risk youth to be able to turn to and mental health services that will be made available soon in the community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mary Garwood adjourned the meeting at 5:04PM

Minutes Submitted by Mary Garwood