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SYV Coalition to Promote Drug-Free Youth ACTION MINUTES

Date: July 18, 2009

Members Present: Bob Dullea, Chairman, Marc Bierdzinski, Michelle Bradley, Molly Carrillo-Walker, Sue Gionfriddo, John Greer, Jess Montoya, Dean Palius, Arcelia Sencion, and Cindy Stevens

Staff: Lois Craig, Mary Conway

Opening: Bob opened meeting at 4:05 PM and introductions were made. “Who Said What” game was played and Michelle Bradley won the prize. A letter of appreciation was sent to the Coalition from the Stardust Cruises Limousine Service applauding the work we do to protect kids from alcohol.

Minutes: Approved Minutes June 16, 2009
(*Motion – Stevens, Second, Montoya*)

NOTES

1. Individual and Agency Updates –

- a. Bob reported that the Juvenile Justice Committee has been doing visitations at schools and collecting data on what schools provide after school care (10 currently)
- b. Debbie Weinstein had reported that the date for the Parent Forum was confirmed on September 16th at Back to School Night at the High School. The Coalition will collaborate together with Debbie on this educational presentation.
- c. Dean reports that PHP has hired a Drug and Alcohol Counselor for the High School to support youth and provide “Reconnecting Youth” curriculum as well
- d. Staff announced that a \$15,000 grant from the Santa Barbara Foundation was received for the After School “Seeking Success” program as requested.

Action Item	Description
	None Taken

2. Coalition Data Collections and Evaluation Presentation

- a. The Data Collections Work Group presented a power point presentation, educating the Coalition members on the recent High School CA. Healthy Kids Survey results and the Law Enforcement Data, regarding the alcohol related incidents in the SYV.
- b. The Law Enforcement Data received will serve as a more viable baseline for data for the Coalition work.

- c. Concerns for our 11th grade youth were shared regarding the increase in the percentage of 30 day use of alcohol binge drinking indicated in the CHKS.
- d. The perception of harm of these substances has improved slightly.
- e. The survey results also indicate that youth are trying, using and abusing ATOD at a younger age than the 2006 results show.
- f. Further discussion around the results and presentation took place.

Action Item	Description
#1	Lois will do some revisions to the power point as suggested.
#2	Lois will follow up with Jess Montoya on scheduling a presentation to the Substance Abuse Committee at the Chumash Reservation in September regarding the CHKS.

3. Coalition Retreat

- a. The need for a Coalition Retreat was discussed.
- b. The retreat would afford the time needed to evaluate the CHKS results and to assure that our goals and strategies are in alignment with the current teen issues.
- c. The members will be polled through email to see what day and time may work best for a retreat.

Action Item	Description
#3	Mary will poll the Coalition members on the best retreat date and time.

4. Policy Work Group SHO update

- a. The Members were updated on the progress of the Social Host Ordinance.
- b. Sheriff Bill Brown recommended that the Coalition continue to pursue the SHO and not try to amend the I.V. Ordinance.
- c. Meetings are scheduled to continue to gather information and to formulate plan.

Action Item	Description
#4	Mary will attend a County Policy Task Force meeting to invite the Fighting Back Coalition to collaborate on the SHO

5. Other Business –

- a. Staff shared plans on the “We Don’t Serve Teens” campaign for July and August.

Action Item	Description
#5	Community Action Work Group Members will deliver materials to store and businesses week of July 24th.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM

Next Coalition Meeting: August 18, at 4 PM at PHP

Respectfully submitted: Mary Conway