

Substance Abuse Council of Vanderburgh County

Minutes

February 6th, 2012

Central Library Browning Room

1:30-2:30p

Attendees:

Laura Hatfield	Beth Greenwell	Tim Carter	Emily Woodruff
Crystal Sisson	Kim Ashby	Donna Lilly	Jennifer Hargus
James Akin	Tim Everley	Deloris Koch	Ramona Gilmore
Ron McDonald	Angie Schu	Robert Helfrich	Martha Caine
Lisa Withrow	Eliot Colin	Chelsi Grove	Leah Goodwin
Ashlee Williams	Patti Loehr	Niki Angelaki	William Barnes
Gail Knight Williams	Heather Woods	Sarah Underwood	

The meeting was opened at 1:30 by Ron.

Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes; motioned was seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

Announcements

Evansville Housing Authority will be holding a free community event for HIV/Hep C testing and prevention on Tuesday, February 7th from 10am-2pm at IMPACT ministries.

Evansville ARC is hosting the *Really Big Show* which will take place on Saturday, February 11th at 7pm at the Centre.

On Monday February 13th Smoke Free Communities will be speaking at the County Council meeting and is asking other SAC members to support them in their efforts to include Casino Aztar and other exemptions in the smoking ban. For more information contact Martha Caine.

Niki Angelaki announced that the closing of Amethyst House will take place at the end of February.

Donna Lilly announced the Drug and Alcohol Conference will be held at U.S.I. on Thursday, May 27th and Friday, May 28th.

The Boom Squad's preshow performance for the Super bowl in Indy was successful. They performed twice and were asked to come and perform in Indy again at future events.

Presentations

Ramona Gilmore from the Evansville Housing Authority spoke briefly about the agency and their efforts they have taken towards keeping the community healthy. EHA holds the program Life Support which consists of workshops for preventing and educating the community about substance abuse, homelessness and communicable diseases. Ramona also spoke about EHA's program ELITE where young teens participate in health fairs, school programs and their current Orange Ribbon event in their efforts of getting more parents involved.

Committee Reports

Prevention: The next People in the Know is tentatively planned for March 22nd where a discussion about parent awareness throughout the community will be held. Topics will include drug trends hitting the Evansville area and warning signs for parents for teen alcohol and drug use. The Committee hopes to collaborate with the Drug Task Force on information, stats and a possible presentation.

Treatment:

There was a discussion held on possible topics, areas to discuss and contacting a speaker for the 2012 Faces of Change. A new location was also discussed and Donna will get more information on the discussed location. Laura is continuing to contact U.S.I about the surveys and check from 2011's event.

Law Enforcement: Countermeasure fees for January were \$14,498.38. In Vanderburgh County, there were 5 alcohol and drug related vehicle crashes; 1 resulted in injuries with 3 people being injured. There were 12 DUI arrests in the month of January and 7 minor consumptions. The EXCISE police worked in Indy during super bowl week and made "dozens upon dozens of arrests."

Project Updates/Discussion

The Taste if Southern Indiana will be Sunday, April 15th from 6-8 in the evening at Cambridge Golf Club. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door. Laura will have tickets at every SAC meeting from now until then for purchase or you can call/email Laura for tickets as well.

"The Ice that Burns" meth training- The Centre has been contacted for available dates and rental prices. The event is looking like it will take place in August. Wally is in contact with local politicians in efforts to have SAC use the Centre for no charge. Larry Bucshon's office has contacted SAC and would like to support this event in any way.

Ashlee our SAC Intern has contacted Hacienda on Green River Rd. and set up a "Hacienda Gives Back Night" on May 7th. All orders that are specified to support the SAC will have 20% of the ticket price given back to the Council when once orders total over \$300. Ashlee will have SAC coupons available at the April and May Council meetings.

Old Business

No old business to report.

New Business

SAC would like to revive our Youth Committee. Kim Ashby is the Youth Committee chair and has scheduled a meeting for Monday, February 20th at 1pm in the conference room at 501 John St for any members who currently work with area youth or who is interested in becoming a part of the committee. AT this meeting we will be developing a plan of action and would appreciate the opinions of those working with our youth.

Future Council and Committee Meetings- March 5th, 2012

Prevention 12:45

Law Enforcement 1:10

General Council 1:30

Treatment 2:30

Executive Committee (2/20) 12:00p in the Conference Rm. at 501 John St.

Youth Committee (2/20) 1:00p in the Conference Rm. at 501 John St

Meeting adjourned at 2:10p.