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1 in 6 local teens will try illegal drugs this month! Help us teach our youth how to say no.

## Council for Drug Free Youth Meeting Agenda

January 17, 2017 – 5:30pm – 7:30pm Hawthorn Bank Community Room

## In Attendance:

*Current Members (14):* Heather McCreery, Leslie Broker, Lin Everett, Diane Ooton, Joy Sweeney, Amanda Prouty, Melle Richardson, Ann McSwain, Dan Thompson, Kelsey Walker, Bev Stafford, Rita Kempker, Stan Cowan, Jill Hansen

Excused Members (3): Joe Roling, Stephanie Lehmen, Judy Brooks

New Members (1): Stacia Fischer

Guests (3): Carson Killday, Crystal Killday, Wilson Fischer,

**Call Meeting to Order – Vice-President- Leslie Broker** - President Heather McCreery was running a few minutes late so Vice President Leslie Broker called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Past Minutes** - Jill Hansen made a motion to approve the minutes from December's Coalition Meeting. Rita Kempker seconded and the motion was carried.

**2017 Officer Introductions** – VP Leslie Broker introduced the Executive Board Members who were in attendance and read the names of those who were unable to attend.

**Student of the Month Recognition -** Carson Killday from Calvary Lutheran and Wilson Fischer from JCHS were honored as two of CDFY's December Students of the Month. CDFY appreciates their leadership and commitment to be drug free.

**Member Introductions** – Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to the group and offered a reason they were interested in helping CDFY plan for 2017. Most people in attendance had experienced or seen first-hand how destructive drugs can be on the lives of those addicted.

## Action Plan & Programs

**United Way Priorities** - Heather reviewed the priorities that had been set as a requirement of CDFY's status as "Partner Agency" with Central Missouri United Way (UW). They included:

- Improve communication regarding the DFC Grant,
- Develop outside sources of funding,
- Update prevention programs annually,
- Maintain level of support to local schools

- Continue advising OC ADCAT
- Develop a succession plan for staff

**DFC Grant Goals** - Joy reviewed the top 3 goals of CDFY's Drug Free Community (DFC) Grant:

- Increase capacity through community collaboration
- Reduce youth alcohol use
- Reduce youth marijuana use

**Program Overview w/data** – Joy, Melle, and Amanda reviewed some of the data collected from participants in Baseline, COPE, TEAM, UPLIFT, and Second Chance programs. Kelsey Walker assisted Melle in explaining the new Venture Crew which will be a collaboration between CDFY, Boy Scouts, and Boys and Girls Club.

**DFC Action Plan-Y3** – Joy reviewed the progress made on DFC goals in 2016.

- Various educational events were held like Train the Trainer, Weed Out the Myths, and PACT 360.
- CDFY supported Compliance Checks where JC Police sent undercover officers into liquor stores to try to buy alcohol. The first year these were done, 66% of stores failed to pass the check. Thankfully the percentage has improved since then because store employees know they could be checked at any time.
- The Keeping Missouri Kids Safe (KMKS) Coalition, under the direction of Joy, worked hard to prevent the Medical Marijuana initiative petition from getting on the 2016 ballot and educate the public about the consequences of marijuana.
- CDFY's You Tube Video Contest winners were recognized by Mayor Tergin at the November City Council meeting.
- The Drug Free mural was unveiled and displayed at Goodrich Capital 8 Theater through December and moved to City Hall in mid-January.

**DFC Action Plan-Y4 proposal** – Goals for 2017 activities and programs were discussed as a group.

- Bev Stafford offered to host a Weed Out the Myths event at SSM's St. Mary's Hospital.
- Kelsey Walker suggested surveying elementary students to find out what they need help with. And she suggested that local Boy Scout Pack Leaders be invited to Train the Trainer events. She also proposed focusing on an alternative event for the night of Prom.
- Dan Thompson requested a stronger, more curriculum based, bullying program and a Train the Trainer event for bullying/suicide prevention.
- Stan Cowan proposed corporate sponsors for Tobacco 21 by showing them the impact it would have on the local workforce. He pointed out that the Chamber of Commerce in Kansas City cited that to be their main reason for support.
- Ann McSwain, Director of the Nursing School at Lincoln University, offered to encourage nursing students to participate in a Train the Trainer event.
- Wilson Fischer, a JCHS student, asked for CDFY to try to get a drug education program to be required for JCPS students.
- Carson Killday, a Calvary Lutheran High School (CLHS) student, pointed out that their required health class includes writing a paper on the negative effects of marijuana. He also suggested that we focus

more on peers sharing their stories/reasons why drugs should be avoided.

• Rita Kempker pointed out that the messaging needs to be coming from the parents at home too.

**Coalition Action** – Heather talked about the roles and responsibilities of each committee and asked for those in attendance to consider volunteering, or suggest someone, as a chair for one of the 3 committees still missing chairs:

- Publicity
- Resource
- Community Outreach

**Yearly Calendar** – Heather announced the dates for all annual events and asked that attendees think about ideas for a possible fundraiser event that could be held as well.

- Magic Show -4/1
- Annual Banquet-4/6
- 5K Run/Walk-5/6
- Ice Cream Social 8/7
- Fundraiser EVENT???

**2017 Meeting Information –** Heather reviewed the new venue and day of the week for 2017 Coalition Meetings.

- Venue: Central Bank Friendship Room
- Date/time: 3rd Thursday @ 11:30am starting 2/16/17

Adjourn Meeting – Heather thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the meeting.