

**MISSION: EMPOWERING YOUTHS TO LIVE DRUG-FREE**

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## **April Coalition Meeting Minutes ~ Virtual**

**April 9, 2020**

**Participants:** Diane Ooton, Anieadi Antiaobong, Kenisha Gransberry, Tijera Safir, Rita Kempker, Kristie Campbell, LeeAnna Penn, Annie Jarrett, Barbara Scheidegger, Leslie Broker, Andrea Holloway, Tiffany Steen, Ja’Nae Wright, Joy Sweeney, Judy Brooks

**Call Meeting to Order – Past President-Leslie Broker called the meeting to order.**

- Approval of Minutes –Rita Kempker made a motion to approve the March Minutes. Tijera Safir seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Student of the Month Recognition – Executive Director-Dr. Joy Sweeney honored:**

- **Cameron Heimericks** from JCHS
- **Sarah Owens** from Calvary Lutheran School
- **Abigail Hoelscher** from Helias

**GOALS & OBJECTIVES** Discussion:

- **Cole County Health Department COVID-19 Update** – Kristi Campbell updated us on the new stay at home recommendations as of April 25<sup>th</sup>. She also encouraged us to adhere to the requirements that have been in effect.
- **Connection between Vaping/Smoking Tobacco/Marijuana & COVID-19** –Joy informed the group that several articles identified that vaping and smoking tobacco or marijuana reduce the immune system and heighten the risk of COVID.
- **Questions/Suggestions from-parents & students** – LeeAnna Penn stated that she had been reaching out to find help with coping skills for parents and kids to share on CDFY social media platforms.

**2020 CALENDAR**

- **EVENTS –**
  - **Annual Banquet – 5/5/20 Capitol Plaza Hotel Pending Update maybe virtual or postponed**

- **5KRun/Walk – 5/2/2 @ JC North Pavilion POSTPONED – NO NEW DATE**
- **Ice Cream Social 8/3/20 @ Capital Mall**
- **OVER THE EDGE 11/7/20 @ Jefferson Building – POSTPONED TIL 2021**
- **Joy Sweeney announced that we will be e-mailing principals and counselors to recruit students for our peer-to-peer programs for the 2020-21 school year. We will also plan to hold camps this summer for each program.**

**COALITION MEETING REMINDER – 2<sup>ND</sup> THURSDAY of EVERY MONTH!**

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Next meeting: THURSDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> @ 11:30AM  
COLE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT and/or ZOOM**

**Please see website & FB for location and/or zoom link.**