

Linn County Partnership Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2008

Call to order

Stephanie Loes called to order the regular meeting of the Linn County Partnership of Substance Abuse at 3:36pm on January 24, 2008 in the St Luke's Chemical Dependency Conference Room. The following persons were present: Stephanie Loes, Heather Armstrong, Jennifer Husmann, Melissa Walker, Dani Lind, Tonya Arnold, Sue Wolrab, Shawn Stepp, Randy Goldberg, Erick Stowe, Cindy Wills, Erin Gavin, Rachel Lehmann, Heather Schrock

Introductions and Approval of the Minutes

Attendees introduced themselves and their sector. The December minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Budget Update

The DFC Grant of \$100,000 per year needs to be matched by in-kind donations. To date, the LCPSA in-kind total is at \$21,645.28 for the grant year (Oct '07 – Sept '08). **Please remember to keep track of any time you are spending on items related to LCPSA.**

LCPSA has been awarded two additional grants: \$500 from Allegra for printing needs and \$500 from SAHMSA for the town hall meeting.

The formation of a finance committee was discussed. Melissa Walker, Sue Wolrab and Cindy Wells volunteered to help form and work this committee. Notice will be sent when a meeting time and place are scheduled.

Upcoming Events

We will hold Executive Board elections in March, but will need a temporary chair for February and March due to Stephanie's absence.

Policies & Procedures

Melissa presented a rough draft of LCPSA Policies and Procedures, followed by discussion. The following feedback was provided: need clear definitions of voting rules (ex: voting in person, by proxy, by email); a need for membership application/criteria/definition; staggered terms for the Executive Board, guidelines regarding an officer's removal. There will be continued discussion and Heather will email a copy of the draft to all members to review and have the opportunity to provide feedback.

Town Hall Meeting

Information was provided regarding the requirements of the Town Hall meeting. The main intent should be to include all 12 sectors and provide an open forum on underage drinking. A preliminary committee was formed with the following members: Anjuli Shivshanker (chair), Sue Wolrab, Randy Goldberg & Erin Gavin. Notice will be sent regarding meeting times and locations for any absent members that may want to be involved.

CADCA Leadership Forum

Heather will be attending the Leadership forum in February held in Washington DC.

TIPS TRAINING

Jennifer Husmann is working with Todd Gerke and Rick Scott to schedule a TIPS Training in Mt. Vernon and Lisbon; one in the morning and one in the evening. There is also a scheduled training being held in Anamosa on March 4th and Rob Taylor is working to set up a training in Central City, Springville and Center Point-Urbana. Russ Swain was unable to attend the training in December and is no longer employed in Palo. Consequently, we have a paid spot for the upcoming training to be held in February. Heather is working to find an officer in Marion to fill this. Please contact Heather if you know of anyone who may be interested in going or sending an officer.

MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Carmike Cinemas, Collins Rd Theatre and the Mt Vernon Bijou will all run the "Got a Minute" ad for a six-month period. Wehrenberg Theatres (corporate office) rejected the ad because the owner felt that "movies should be a fantasy and an escape for customers and the ad is too real life." After discussion, those in attendance agreed that letters should be written and sent to Wehrenberg in the next month. If there is no response, our coalition should make sure that the community is aware of their decision. Heather will send out the pertinent information for those that want to write their own letter and also draft a couple templates for members to use if desired.

RECRUITING

Sue reported that the recruiting committee met on 1/16/08 and decided that it should focus on one sector at a time, starting with youth and parents. Packets have been made up for anyone that wants to make a presentation to get any individual and/or group involved. They have been made specific to each of the 12 sectors. Please contact Stephanie or Heather if you would like to request a copy. Notice will be sent to the membership regarding the next recruiting meeting for anyone that would like to get involved.

EUDL

Erin reported that EUDL is gearing up for prom/graduation time. An ad geared towards youth will run on Z102.9 and she asked if the LCPSA would like to co-sponsor it. EUDL is also running yearbook ads in area high schools. They are working on a website to inform the community of upcoming events as well as other resources in the area.

HYPE

Randy reported having a follow-up to "Listen Up '07". His focus has been on the Alburnett and North Linn school districts.

CMCA

Jennifer reported that they will be holding a town hall meeting in Springville in March/April. Also, a "Coaching for Prevention" seminar is coming up and coaches can get coaching CEU credits for this as well as a stipend for attending (if they are in the CMCA area).

Meeting was adjourned at 4:59pm.