**STEUBEN PREVENTION COALITION STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

July 25, 2017

**Members Present: Jim Bassage, Colleen Banik, Amanda Chafee, Jerry Bennett, Hank Chapman, Rick McInroy, Kevin Grover, Lisa Oliver and Kyle King**

1. **Introductions/Welcome**:

* Colleen Banik welcomed everyone to the meeting. No introductions were needed.

1. **May Meeting:**

* Acceptance of the May 23, 2017 minutes following a motion made by Hank Chapman and seconded by Rick McInroy.

1. **Coalition Report:**

* Marijuana Position Paper
  + Jim Bassage reported that a meeting took place on July 12, 2017 before the Health & Education Committee for the Steuben County Legislature to present the request for a County Resolution in opposition to the legalization of recreational marijuana. A presentation and request before the full legislature for approval of the resolution took place on July 24, 2017. The Resolution passed on July 24th with a vote of 11 – 3.
* Marijuana Project
  + A report was deferred to September in Norm McCumiskey and Mark Recktenwald’s absence.
* Adult Perception Survey
  + Jim Bassage reported that the APS has been circulated and contact will be made with Hillary Anderson to see what the number of responses currently are. Hank Chapman requested that the link be sent to him again to circulate to other groups.
    - **Action Item:** Colleen Banik will forward the APS survey link to Hank Chapman.
* Coalition Self-Assessment Survey
  + Colleen Banik reported that we have 14 responses to the Survey to date and that the survey will remain open for another 5 days and then will be officially closed. A summary report will be put together following survey closure and will then be presented to the Steering Committee at a future date to be determined.
    - **Action Item:** Colleen Banik will forward the Self-Assessment Survey link to Lisa Oliver.
* Triangle Grant Fund Application
  + Colleen Banik reported that we did not receive the Triangle Grant Fund for 2017 but that our plan is to re-apply in 2018. A meeting has been scheduled with Pam Noviello for follow-up on application denial to be held on August 16, 2017.
* Keuka College Intern
  + Colleen Banik reported that and interview with student, Lindsay Bushnell, was held with multiple members of the Coalition in attendance. An offer was made to Ms. Bushnell for this internship field period to begin in February 2018 and run through May 2018. Ms. Bushnell has accepted.
* PSA Update
  + Colleen Banik reported that we will be running additional PSA’s ads at the Palace Theater through July, August and September. Hornell Spotlight has been contacted to ask if they would run the same agreement. No response to date.
* Pride Survey
  + On behalf of Norm McCumiskey, Colleen Banik reported that 3 schools are scheduled to be presented with their survey data to date with the 3 remaining school districts to be scheduled.

1. **Youth Action Forum**

* Amanda Chafee brought forward a request for funds to pay for a speaker during the Youth Action Forum. There are three options that have been researched ranging from $2,750 plus hotel to $5,000. Youth Action forum planning has begun and it has been decided that it will be held in the early part of November this year as opposed to late October with a specific date to be identified.
  + Speaker Options
    - Shane Feldman $4900
    - Julie Carrier $5,000
    - Scott Bacovich $2,750 plus hotel for one night
* It would be an all-day event for this speaker. A proposal was put to the Steering Committee for at least a portion of the speaker fee. A request was also made to provide suggestions as to who may be able to donate funds towards this item with the over-all theme being “Students Becoming Engaged in Your Communities”.
* Significant discussion was held relative to the current denial of ability to use DFC Grant funding for food and beverages. Jim Bassage also reported that we will be able to use the $1,000 that was maintained from the Tall Cop Event to be used for the Youth Action Forums. Additional support from the Coalition is currently a question mark until we can settle the new budget line item questions raised by Lois Pruden from Catholic Charities and Latosha Mathis from DFC.
* Additional suggestions for funding requests were as follows:
  + Rotarys, Elks, VFW’s, Tops, Wegmans, Kiwanis, Legions, Chambers of Commerces, Insurance Companies, Walmart
  + Gift Cards Request
  + Corporate Giving Opportunities
  + Customer Service Brochures
  + On line Community Foundation Request
  + Request to Main Place to donate their services (lunch)
  + Pam Noviello – Triangle Fund
  + Corning, Inc.
  + Dollar General
    - **Action Item:** Colleen Banik to discuss with Pam Noviello if this would fit with Triangle Fund structure at the meeting on August 16, 2017.
    - **Action Item:** Lisa Oliver to make contact with the Avoca Legion.
    - **Action Item:** Jim Bassage to make contact with Hornell Elks.
    - **Action Item:** Discussion to be held with Joe Rumsey about approaching the Rotarians and with Dave Taylor Smith about approaching the Kiwanis.

1. **Youth Engagement Strategies**

* Amanda Chafee reported on the Youth Engagement discussion held at the July 12, 2017 Coalition meeting. Discussion was held relative to the activities and resources that need to be made available and how we further utilize the Youth Action Forum students. A Calendar of Events has been established and a request was made to fill this in for the 2017-2018 school year. Additional activities will also include a Youth Action Forum Advisor’s meeting to better explain what we need these advisors for (an individual who is actively engaged through-out the year).
  + - **Action Item:** Jerry Bennett will provide Amanda Chafee with idea booklets for youth activities.
* Suggested activities discussed:
  + Foul Shot Goggle Contest
  + Involvement in Spirit Week, Pep Rallies, etc.
  + Youth driving PNA presentation

1. **Task Force Updates**

* Rick McInroy provided a brief overview of the UAD Task Force activities.
  + - **Action Item:** Colleen Banik to send out the link to the STOP DWI NY Video – Living the Code/The Deadly Season
* A brief update of the Marijuana Task Force activities was deferred in the absence of Mark Recktenwald and Norman McCumiskey

1. **Other**

* Discussion was held relative to engaging new membership. A request was made asking all members to o actively reach out to other individuals in the community to become members of the Coalition. Sectors identified were Education, Business, Faith and community/parental aspects.
* Discussion was held relative to changing the title of the Memorandum of Understanding to a Community Involvement Agreement.
  + - **Action Item:** The Memorandum of Understanding will need to be reviewed, compared to new By-Laws recently enacted and brought up for discussion and approval if any changes are to be made.
* Colleen Banik reported that we received our 5th year grant award.

**Next Meeting: August 22, 2017 from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. at 115 Liberty Street, Bath, NY.**

***Our Mission:*** *To promote healthy and safe communities in Steuben County by reducing alcohol and drug use among youth.*

***Our Vision:*** *To have a county where the youth are healthy and drug free.*