

Litchfield Prevention Council
Special Meeting
Town Hall Annex, Bantam
October 22, 2015 7:00 PM

Present: Elisa Bauer, Robert Berson, Nicholas Fitzgerald, Kelly Garden, Meredith Shafer

Excused: Dana Moore, Marion Pettinicchi, Kevin Tieman

Call to Order: Kelly Garden, Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Appointment of Alternates: None

Allison Fulton Federal Grant: E. Bauer read an email sent by Allison Fulton who was unable to attend the meeting requesting a volunteer to assist with the logic model. B. Berson volunteered and E. Bauer will forward name to A. Fulton.

Approval of Minutes: M. Shafer moved to approve the minutes of September 8, 2015, seconded by K. Garden, all aye except N. Fitzgerald who abstained, motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Balance is \$9,783.56.

Old Business:

Recruitment Letter: Draft letter written by K. Tieman and M. Shafer was reviewed and edited by Council members. M. Shafer made the updates and passed to K. Garden for further updates and distribution to K. Tieman for signature. A discussion followed regarding a "Meet and Greet" with food and beverages, inviting members of the community. The date, chosen was November 17th at 7:00 p.m. E. Bauer and K. Garden will look for a venue. Also discussed was a newspaper ad/press release inviting the public.

LHS Liaison Meeting: K. Garden has spoken with both Stephanie Kubisek & Kristen DellaVolpe, Principals and they have agreed to meet monthly with us because a liaison is not available. They scheduled to meet at 9:00 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at LHS. If anyone is available at that time to also attend contact K. Garden.

Fall Program Planning:

a. Elevator Speech: Members reviewed the changes made by K. Garden and M. Shafer with a few additional changes suggested. K. Garden will make the edits and distribute final copies at the next meeting.

Project Purple-Sports Events: M. Shafer reported that K. Garden and she attended the "under the lights" game. Because of the inclement weather the game was not well attended but handouts were given and a candy guessing game was held. Members discussed attending future sporting events and other activities to promote project purple. A suggestion was made to establish a "Prevention Mascot" to attend sports events. This idea will be pursued. E. Bauer presented indoor purple lights she purchased for use in January for the Project Purple celebrations. K. Garden will look for and purchase outdoor purple lights to use in January also.

Subcommittees: Tabled

Website Update: M. Shafer reported that the website has been re-instated and is being updated. N. Fitzgerald will assist with rebuilding and linking to our Facebook page.

New Business:

Courage to Speak: K. Garden reported her research on the foundation and possible presentation by the founder, Ginger Katz. She purchased the book, Sunny's Story and recommends members to read it and give thought to purchasing some for our libraries. She reported that Ms. Katz does presentations for grades four through high school as well as adult programs. Her programs will be considered for future sponsored programs.

2016 HVCASA Grant: E. Bauer asked for suggestions for inclusion in the grant application.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Recruitment/meet and greet, Courage to Speak, LPC1 Coalition update, liaison meeting update, subcommittees, Project Purple

Adjournment:

M. Shafer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. B. Berson seconded, all ayes, motion passed.

Transcribed by E. Bauer, Secretary

Kelly Garden, Vice Chair

Next meeting will be November 10, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall Annex, Bantam