

Tuscarawas County Anti-Drug Coalition Meeting
Friday, June 3, 2016
ADAMHS Board Meeting Room

Present:

Amy Miller, OMJ
Teri Edwards, Twin City Chamber
Diana Smith, Twin City Awareness
Kim Ryske, PFCS, Youth Serving Sector Rep.
Kaitlyn Dunlap, DHS, School Sector Rep.
Cheryl Ramos, BCC/NP City Council, BCC-AE
Miles Riley, CMH
Anita Davis, Pathways & Civic Sector Rep.
Richard Miller, Parent Sector Rep.
Dave Ramsell, Media Sector Rep.
Ken Fanty, Citizen
Dode Overton, Faith-based Sector Rep.
Jodi Salvo, PFCS
Kerry Metzger, TCC & Govt. Sector Rep.
Dick Goodings, GLN & Business Sector Rep.

Meeting Summary:

Jodi Salvo opened the meeting at noon on Friday, June 3rd, 2016 with 14 members present and introductions were made.

Youth Led Prevention. K. Rykse gave youth update stating that youth led prevention has been wrapping up, a Youth Advisory Board Banquet was held and it was a great time of celebration among students and school staff from all involved districts. Arrangements are being made to take 24 students and 2 school staff to the Youth-to-Youth International Conference at Capitol University. She noted that 3 YLP students have been chosen as youth staff for conference. J. Salvo reported that the YLP students at Tusky Valley have planned a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for June 4th at the R.O.C. in Bolivar to offset costs to send students to conference and encouraged everyone to attend/support fundraiser if able. S. Hitchcock reported that he has been working with the YLP students at Park Place Teen Center and the students' involvement has been helpful in re-vitalizing center, the students are committed to supporting Friday night dances at the center.

K. Metzger gave update on SB 523-Ohio's Medical Marijuana. Governor Kasich should be signing SB 523 any day. Medical Policy Project has withdrawn November ballot initiative. Drug Free Action Alliance will be providing talking points about this legislation. ADC members, Gooding, Metzger and Campbell testified at Senate hearings regarding concerns about legislation. At present there is a lot of unknown's. Concerns about dispensaries, ability to vape, edibles, high levels of THC, impact to finding drug free workforce, and chronic pain is on list to receive "medical" marijuana. We will continue to closely follow this issue and work with DFAA seeking advice on how we can continue to advocate for our concerns. Rules and regulations will be developed after the Medical Marijuana Commission members are

designated. This legislation does allow ordinances to keep medical marijuana dispensaries and to be developed. It does appear that cities can ordinance out dispensaries and this is something that we will look into for Tuscarawas County.

J. Salvo gave update grants. The Push4 Prevention grant was secured through DFAA to purchase the Faith Based Operation Parent Handbooks and OhioGuidestone is working on developing a pretest/posttest instrument to be used when churches implement. If anyone has a church that might be interested in piloting in the fall, let us know. A proposal is being written to Tuscarawas Community Foundation to send students and school staff on Tuscarawas Youth Advisory Board to the Youth-to-Youth Summer Conference in 2017 to strengthen youth led prevention efforts countywide. A proposal has also been sent to SAMSHAS 2016 Communities Talk: Town Hall Meetings to Prevent Underage Drinking requesting \$500 to hold a community town hall meeting this year. She also reported that we have received SPF-PFS scholarship money to send community and coalition members to the Ohio Prevention Education Conference, June 26-29th and eight members from ADC/community will be attending this conference. The aim of this project is to build capacity in county to be awarded SPF-PFS funding in 2017 to reduce/prevent underage drinking and prescription drug use.

Prescription Drug Take back awareness initiative is also underway. The ADC will be working with the Opiate Task force to create community awareness of drug take back boxes in county. A flyer is being developed and we will discuss how to strengthen this effort at next meeting.

Awareness Events: First Town Days parade will be held on July 1st at 6:30. We do need volunteers to walk in parade. The youth led prevention/YAB students are planning on being in parade and will pass out ADC postcards with parenting tips. If you are able to march in event, let Salvo know.

Data- Information has been given to Kevin Spears, Educational Service Center on OH Yes! survey. This survey is free to schools and would allow schools to have district specific data on mental health, risky behavior and substance use of their students. Having school data would be helpful in providing services and education to students, parents and school staff.

First Annual Recovery Rally will be held on September 10th at Tuscora Park. Park and insurance will be secured and the initial planning meeting will be held on July 8th from 12:00-1:00 at ADAHMS Board Conference Room. All ADC members are invited to attend and also encouraged to reach out to community partners/organizations/businesses that might be interested in partnering with us on Rally to create awareness about prevention, treatment and recovery in hopes to unite the community to all be part of the solution to prevent and reduce substance use/abuse.

Next Meeting: Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 5th at the ADAMHS Board 12:00-1:00. Please note there is not a July meeting in lieu of 4th of July holiday.