

Minutes from OASIS Meeting August 8, 2019 7:00 p.m.

Committee members present were: Laura DeLeo, Vincent Provenzano, Dr. Heather Ferillo-Dilullo, Steven Brown, Sheniequa Brown (newly added ☺).

Absent members were: Madalene Taggart, Susan Schiavi.

Others present: Bob Sylvester, Brenda Pachucki, Lisa Troop (Pomperaug Health), Dave Nichols (Oxford Police Department), Jen Dillon (HVCASA)

-discussion was had about the Vaping Information Brochure that Vinny had prepared and had printed for distribution during our Vaping Information Presentation. Everyone agreed it looked great.

LPC Recess at 7:16

-Vinny discussed some goals in our organization going forward. He is hoping that Heather will be a Communications Liaison for us, Laura will handle Publicity, and Diane Soracco from the Board of Education will be a community liaison. Additionally, he is hoping that by delegating duties and communicating more through email we may eventually be able to meet every other month and more streamline our meetings going forward. His hope is to have the meetings be limited to 1 hour.

-Since our next meeting night is the evening of Rob's presentation, October will likely be our next meeting.

-finances were discussed. We have now spent all the money currently allocated to us. One of our handouts tonight with our Minutes included an accounting of our grants and spending for this past year. We will be applying for additional funds. We will soon be receiving another \$3900 which ideally will be spent by October, and Vinny is applying for another 5000 grant as well. In terms of what we anticipate spending our funds on in the near future, we discussed and agreed that the following items would be useful:

- another informational mailing in September, updated from the one we did before, to the public. Vinny can prepare that using the format he utilized on the first mailing.

- creating/improving a Website for us (Vinny will follow up in October with suggestions on who might do that)

- funding the "Hidden in Plain Sight Program" for parents, hopefully for parent's night at one of the schools. (This would either be a program or simply a sample bedroom set up for parents to be able to see items that might cause them concern regarding their children's vaping, smoking or drug use)

- possibly also helping to fund again another movie for the Booster club.

-Steve also mentioned a program for boys/men on violence that he will follow up on, with a training film.

-Heather mentioned that we have already paid for Survey Monkey, and it runs out the end of the year. She suggested doing a survey of teachers and staff at the schools to gather some additional information as to needs/issues at the schools. She will follow up on that, and we will hopefully have that survey out in Oct/Nov. It will require approval from the Superintendent.

-It was noted that we have not received information from Diane Soracco for a meeting date set aside for members of our committee to meet with the new Superintendent. Vinny is going to follow up with her.

-Regarding publicity for Rob Hackenson's Dynamic Influence program on September 12th, Laura shared a draft of an article about Rob's presentation that we will forward to Voices. We talked about other places we could publicize the event, and will hopefully get additional publicity through the Booster Club and PTO. Once the confirmation comes through regarding exact times, Laura will move ahead with publicity. We will also investigate taking out an ad in Voices.

-Rob's presentation on the 12th of September will be 3 programs during the day (2 at OHS on Vaping, 1 at OCS on Bullying) and one evening program at OHS for the parents. Dave Nichols volunteered to be Rob's escort during the day, and Heather offered to conduct a survey that night for the parents to get feedback after the program.

-Lisa from PHD updated us on our Americore worker. Unfortunately they offered the job to someone who turned it down, and they will be looking to hire again.

-Jen from HVCASA let us know that 8/24 is Overdose Awareness Day, and there will be an event going on in Waterbury that day run by PAL with vendors and many activities. It will be from 10-2.

-Dave Nichols advised us that sadly Oxford had 3 overdoses last week, include 1 death.

A motion was made by Shqaniqua to return to OASIS Heather seconded

-Minutes were approved from last month.

-We discussed the Safety Fair Day on 9/8 which will have a lot of activities from various groups in town. We agreed to have a table. Vinny, Sheniequa and Dave will help out running the table.

-we agreed to continue to communicate via email to tie up the loose ends on everything going on this month.

Motion was made by Vinny to adjourn

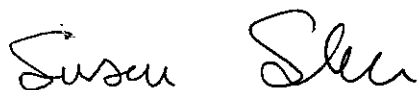
Seconded by Laura

We adjourned at 8:10



Interim Chairperson

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