



**Montcalm Youth Wellness Committee**  
**Our Voice. Our Vision. Our Victory.**

**Monday, February 26, 2018 6:30 p.m. - Meeting Minutes**

In Attendance: Garrett Moeggenborg, Madison Towne, Madison McCrumb, Cade Oberlin, Ashton Brimmer, Tatum Johnson, Tom Stephenson, Abby Wedge. Advisors: Phil Millerov, Amy O'Brien, Donald Nowicki and Chantel Olschanski

**Welcome – Garrett Moeggenborg**

**1/18/18 Minutes were approved**

**County Update**

- Greenville – Garrett told the group that the first Greenville High School youth meeting was going to be held that Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at GHS during GRIT meeting time. He asked as many of the Greenville youth involved in the county-wide effort to come and lend support. Garrett is now a member of the MPC Executive Board and has already had his first meeting with them. The MPC Executive Board would like to see the group produce posters with pictures of the youth that have participated in the NYLI to use as marketing and publicity. Garrett also mentioned that Penny Dora had contacted him about allowing the collaborative to place items in the Yellow Jacket Challenge bags handed out to participants at the April 16, 5K event.
- Lakeview – Madison McCrumb said that the newly-formed group had just begun to meet but have already talked about possibly doing something with the Be Nice initiative. She said they are also working on a commercial and mural possibility at the school.
- Montabella – Donny said that he and Chantel have been meeting with the Montabella team and that they are beginning with projects like teacher memes and Pillars of Success.
- Vestaburg – Donny said that group is beginning to work on a teacher appreciation project
- Carson City – Donny told us that CC is looking at painting bricks (leave legacy). They also want to do a project that will connect youth at the school with the elderly. There hoping to put a book together and a Senior Council.

**Tobacco and Alcohol Compliance Checks – Phil**

- MPC is looking for volunteers this spring to conduct tobacco compliance checks at local stores. They are also considering doing alcohol checks in the fall and may need volunteers

**Washington DC update/reflection – Abby, Tom, Garrett, Madison M.**

- Participants overall said it was a great experience! Tom and Madison wished that they would have had the opportunity to do the Advanced NYLI training but it wasn't available this time. Garrett agreed that the "general" youth training was not as good as the Key Essentials and Advanced. Some ideas that came out of the conference included doing a "natural high book", 5<sup>th</sup> grade medication class, footprints (every time you did a good deed at school you got a footprint and then they put the footprints together to make a

long chain. Phil mentioned that MPC was trying to get the Safe Drive training back in the schools. Donny suggested meeting with PE and health teachers, also getting other volunteers. It was also suggested that the youth committee could connect or Skype with other youth coalitions for ideas.

### **Photos – Abby**

- Abby said that she would set up a Google photos account so that the group could put all photos from trainings etc. in one place so that they would be available for promotions in the future.

### **Sticker Shock Update – Ashton and Tatum**

- Ashton checked with gas stations about willingness to do project – 6 yes's and 2 maybe's. She will follow up to see if she can get more.
- 3 different designs – they were sent to Phil to get approval from MPC Communications work team.
- They began work on a flyer to put on glass doors at establishments as well.
- General discussion about how many stickers we should produce (probably 1,000); whether the group was open to doing it county-wide
- Phil said the expense and idea would have to go before the MPC Exec. Board for final approval.

### **Bylaws**

- There was discussion about whether the committee thought having a structure to the group was important – such as bylaws, Executive Board, policies and procedures
- Garrett and Tom volunteered to begin work on bylaws and bring to the full county-wide committee.

### **MPA Advocacy Day – Mrs. O'Brien**

- Amy passed along information from John Kroneck about the Michigan Prevention Association's Advocacy Day in Lansing on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The committee was encouraged to check their schedules and let Amy know if they would be interested in going.

**Meeting Adjourned – 7:50 p.m.**

**Next meeting: Monday, March 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the GACF office.**