



Montcalm Prevention

COLLABORATIVE

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Montcalm Prevention Collaborative Minutes

May 11, 2022, 1- 2:30 p.m.

Montcalm Area Intermediate School

621 New Street, Stanton, MI 48888

Or Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86434070933>

Attendees: Amy O'Brien, Jodie Faber, John Kroneck, Leslie Kinnee, Tara Allen, Cari O'Connor, Lori Faber, Michelle Blaszczyński, Roger Coles

1) Introductions – J Kroneck

2) Welcome New and Returning members

3) Consent Agenda – Cari O'Connor, Leslie Kinnee support, Approved

Approval of Agenda

Approval of 3.9.22 Minutes

Budget Reports

4) Public Comment - none

5) Presentation: MYPC Safe Prom event wrap up – Jodie & Amy

- a) Jodie & Amy talked about the success of Safe Prom for GHS students on 4.30.22 at Frugthaven Farm. Montcalm Youth Prevention Club came up with the idea at March meeting. The kids took it to administration the very next day for their support and within a couple of days a survey went out where we determined it was feasible. Worked with Mandy S., and the GHS admin. to send out emails to Junior & Senior students to register them for the event. Holiday Coaches, Frugthaven and Winter Inn were secured for the event. Sixty-Three students attended. We collaborated with Education Foundation of Greenville to pay for the meal – DFC grant only pays \$3/person for food. *The Daily News* wrote two articles about the event. The students had a wonderful time and we had great response from parents about how grateful they were that we offered this. Cari mentioned that parents told her that their kids would not have been able to attend Prom if not for this event. We also had a number of special education students who were grateful for the opportunity and camaraderie this event gave them. The total budget was just under \$9,000 of which \$6,878 was covered by DFC funding. Tara Allen asked if we planned to offer this to other school districts in the county. Jodie & Amy said that we would collaborate with schools that made a commitment to forming prevention clubs in their schools. Michelle B. thanked MPC for sponsoring & putting on Safe Prom. She also said she was working on booking locations for future years and wanted our opinion on where it should be so that a Safe Prom event could happen again. She said next year's prom would be held at the Goe Center in Grand Rapids. Jodie & Amy lastly

mentioned that they were confident that this event would help MPC & MYPC build capacity in membership and good will.

a. Drug Use Prevention & Disposal Team – Lori/Jodie

- a. John K. reported that we collected 26.11 lbs. of meds., 33 lbs. of needles, 14 Sharps containers went out, gave out 1 Narcan kit, and had twenty-five community members contribute to the DEA Drug Take-Back at Spectrum Health, Greenville on 4/30/22. Upcoming events will be June 18 in Carson City, August 17 with Spectrum Health in Howard City. Tara said that MCN plans to be at each event with Narcan. John K. thought the 4/30 Recovery Symposium was successful. Thanks to Lori Faber and Domenic Cedillo for volunteering. Tara mentioned that she gave out all 30 Narcan kits that she brought to the event.

b. Communications Team – Leslie Kinnee

- a. Communications Team just met and talked about three main goals the team hopes to accomplish in the next few months: Increase visibility, increase membership/capacity, and increase social media presence and followers.

c. Marijuana Team – John Kroneck

- a. John K. reported that the Michigan Prevention Network gave a grant to start a Regional Cannabis Prevention Collaborative. John will be the MPC representative and MPC will participate as a member.

d. Youth Leadership/Montcalm Youth Prevention Club – Amy O'Brien

- a. Jodie & Amy talked about contacts they made in the schools to start prevention clubs with money from the Prevention Network grant. Lakeview has already provided four students for their club that will start in the fall. Three of those students will go to the July CADCA conference with the county group. An additional three students from GHS will attend. Total of six students will attend the CADCA conference in Orlando from July 17-22nd. Email contacts have been made with Tri County/Howard City, Central Montcalm and Montcalm 4-H. John thanked Blake Furtaw for stepping up to perform. John said that MPC is supposed to do two Synar checks for the state with a local 19-year-old. **Cari made a motion to pay up to \$50/synar check to the 19 yr. old. Tara Allen seconded with unanimous approval. Motion carried with abstention from Leslie.**

6) Community Collaborative Upcoming activities/Initiatives

- a) **Youth capacity building – Prevention Clubs** – Lakeview High School slated to start in Fall. John mentioned that once he has staff in his open Project Success roles, they should be an immense help to the prevention clubs.
- b) **NYLI Orlando, FL - July 17-22, 2022**
- c) **Reforming the Vaping Team**
- d) **Drug Take Backs** – June w/Sheridan Hospital Health Fair, August, Leppink’s Howard City w/Spectrum Health
- e) **Tamarack Library Health Fair – Sept. 14, 2022**

7) Executive Board

- a) **DFC & Prevention Network Grant Updates** – We have not heard back about DFC continuation application submitted in April or waiver for In-Kind COVID relief. We are working on building capacity with the PN grant including starting prevention clubs in 2-3 new schools. Part of the grant will support a community event to build capacity in MPC. We will need members to form a committee to plan, develop and implement the event. Cari gave new contact name/number for the county principals committee so that MPC could make a presentation about the importance of the MiPhy.

8) Round Table

a) How can you help? What do you need from us?

- 1) Roger Coles would like to see prevention clubs in all the county schools. Tara said MCN has need for vaping curriculum/information for their young clients. John will get Tara a copy of the Project Success vaping curriculum. Tara reported that MCN had their first 5K run to raise money for their mental health foundation. Lori F. would like to help with testimonials in the jail. Tara will give her contact information. She would also like to help with future Safe Prom events.

9) Other

10) Adjournment

Next Full Collaborative Meeting: **September 14, 2022, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. MAISD**