

Youth Alcohol and Drug Program
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 13, 2009
4:00-5:30pm
Stillwater Public Library

Attendance:

Becca Wilson, Kate Flynn, Pat Zanko, Paul Jennings, Paul Erickson, Annette Sallman, Colleen Danford, Kris Huntley, Paul Jennings

Minutes

1. Paul Jennings called the meeting to order. It was unanimously passed to accept the minutes of our last meeting. The agenda was approved.
2. OPH Police Officer Dave Kisch (351-8018) was the guest speaker. He's in the Pony Center and his philosophy is proactive as an educator to about 2,300 students at SAHS. Speaks with kids at start of school year and is approachable. Feels that minor consumption is "no big deal" to students. Advises parents that his assistant Keith Anderson at Wash Co will search homes for drugs free of charge with no arrest. They search lockers at school quarterly (kids locked in classrooms) only with permission of principal. Energy drinks at SAHS a problem – some have 12% alcohol, plus kids mix alcohol with them. He sees helping parents, along with social hosting citations, as components of helping students. Top 3 problems at SAHS are theft, truancy and drug/alcohol, which are minor at school - (not using on campus).
3. Publicity and Community Relations – Kris Janisch of Stillwater Gazette wrote nice article on Parent Support Group. New email address is as follows:
YADP@sunriserotary.org
4. Financial Support - After April events, we'll have used half of our money. Paul Jennings wants our funds to increase with time, not be linear.
5. Committee Development: Paul Ericson reported that Don Schul presented but felt his information was inadequate - "Is what we're doing effective?" re: Louisa's position - should they bring in a 2nd counselor? Group 2/3's "Spring Bash" Friday 4/24 from 7-10 underway. Policeman obtained. Need workers. Group 4/5's Parent Group had only 1 attendant. MJ Dunn can't be the leader of this group. Considering employing someone for this position who is professionally qualified or contract with an agency.
6. Program Planning: May speaker Rose Hauge, Drug Free Community Coordinator; June United Way Marna Canterbury; July Kari Urdman, of (?); Aug (4H?)
7. Meeting adjourned 5:33. Next meeting is May 11, 2009; 4:00 at Stillwater Public Library.

Respectfully submitted by: Pat Zanko