

Parents Matter Coalition of Pierre/Fort Pierre

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Parents Matter Coalition of Pierre/Ft. Pierre

Avera St. Mary's Hospital

5th floor conference room, Pierre, SD Meeting Minutes

"To educate, empower and engage parents and the community in reducing and/or preventing youth substance abuse."

Opening

The regular meeting of the Parents Matter Coalition of Pierre/Ft. Pierre was called to order at 12:00 on December 11, 2013 in Pierre, SD by Larry Weiss, Chairman.

Present

Denice Moore, Ruby Douglas, Larry Weiss, Colleen Weiss, Cheryl & Tito Arguello, Barb Rohrbach, Dawn Tassler, Jeff Monroe, Amy Fowler, Kellie Schuman, Diane Inch, Carmella Bourk, Tina Freeman

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended and unanimously approved. Motion to accept was made by Colleen and seconded by Dawn.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.



Open Issues

The Pride Survey “Ready Talk” session was discussed briefly by those who attended the December 11th webinar.

Wendy McGrath, Marketing

Director/Data Analysis of PRIDE Survey reviewed the information with those who attended the webinar. Those in attendance for this informational webinar: Amy, Larry, Ruby, Denice, Tina and Barb. Primarily the results were good except for a couple of issues. Ruby will share the results with the Superintendents of Pierre and Ft. Pierre and discuss how we can assist them in selecting an evidence based program. There is a grant the schools can apply for called Race to The Top, more information will be forthcoming.

Case Study report. This report was included in member's packets. The coalition compiled this information for the Prevention Resource Centers. This report includes issues and trends from the PRIDE survey data. Where do students USE alcohol? The top trends indicated they are either “at home” or at a “friends house”.

1000 Cups of Coffee Promotional Materials were distributed among the members. Members are to distribute and start their discussions with family members, friends, business owners and neighbors. Larry talked about how important this is to our communities and it is a great way to get people's thoughts and feelings of the issues of underage drinking and where the responsibility lies. There are questionnaires on the Parents Matter website to guide the discussions. This campaign will be completed by May 31, 2014 by all members. A report will summarize the information after all the data is collected. Materials can be accessed from our website: www.parentsmattercsd.com

New Business

November Arrest Report was supplied by Elton Blemaster. In November the arrests for underage drinking was 10. Years ago, Larry added, the number of arrests were in the 30s, 40s, and 50s! Are things getting better? Less consumption? Or are they hiding it better?

Barb and Tina are compiling information from 2007-2013 arrests report and making a graph for the next meeting to show how things have changed.

Denice Moore shared that a meeting was held on December 3, 2013 with Teizen's Law Office and Parents Matter Coalition Incorporators. The Board of Directors are the following: Larry Weiss, President; Denice Moore, Vice-President; Barb Rohrbach, Secretary; and Cheryl Arguello, Treasurer. The summary of meetings and following documents were signed at the meetings: Waiver of Notice Incorporators, Waiver of Notice Board of Directors, Bylaws and Corporate Authorization Resolution for banking. Parents Matter Coalition of Pierre/Ft Pierre have received their EIN# and officially are becoming a 501c(3).

PM Coalition Awards and Recognition were presented. The following were recognized for their “Above and Beyond” commitment to Parents Matter: Amy Fowler, Cheryl Arguello, Barb Rohrbach, Larry Weiss and Denice Moore.



Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm by Larry Weiss. The next general meeting will be at January 8, 2014 at noon, in Pierre, SD.

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Rohrbach

Membership attendance: Ruby L. Douglas, Project Director, Denice Lee Moore, Vice President Elect and Sector Member Representative, Tina Freeman, Carmella Bourk, Health Sector Representative, Diane Inch, Amy Fowler, Civic Sector Representative, Senator Jeff Monroe, Dawn Tassler, Fiscal Officer, Barbara Rohrbach, Secretary Elect, Parent Sector Representative, Cheryl Argeullo, Treasurer Elect, Faith/Religious Sector Representative, Colleen Weiss, Larry Weiss, Chair and President Elect.

Parents Matter Coalition Sector Member Representatives: Cheryl & Tito Arguello, Captain Elton Blemaster, Carmella Bourk, Amy Fowler, Dr. Kelly Glodt, Andrea Klein, Janice Johnson, Tony Mangan, Diana Melvin, Denice Lee Moore, Barbara Rohrbach and Jeri Thomas