



**ATTENDANCE:**

**Sector Representatives:**

Rebecca Burnside, Parent Rep., President  
Karin Schroeder, Civic/Volunteer Rep., Secretary  
Cheryl Rozzi, Government Rep and Co-Vice President  
Kelly Dodds, Sag Harbor Chamber, Business Rep  
Bill Sutton, 27east Media, Media Rep

**Other:**

SrA Christal Olivero, National Guard Counterdrug Task Force  
Georgianna Dolan-Reilly, Long Island Prevention Resource Center

**Staff:**

Kym Laube, HUGS Director  
Randy Hansen, SAFE in Sag Harbor Program Coordinator  
Alexandria Migliozzi, SAFE Youth Coordinator

**1. Approval of minutes:** Cheryl noted two corrections from the minutes, page 2 CBD and seltzers need to be amended. Motion to accept from Rebecca, second by Kelly. Approved.

**Old Business:**

**2. MRTA in Sag Harbor**

We networked and rallied. We helped to secure letters from stakeholders, and spoke about the need to opt out. Sag Harbor Village made the unanimous decision to opt out.

Southampton Town opted in and Shinnecock will be selling. Riverhead, Brookhaven and Babylon opted in, the latter by default due to a tie in the voting. 12% of municipalities in Suffolk opted in. There has been a narrative related to the need to opt in now or there won't be licenses available in the future, which is not true. This has been mentioned at other town meetings too.

Kelly will reach out to the Mayor to see if David Falkowski has been in touch related to putting it to a referendum.

We made a good attempt with Southampton Town. Kelly spoke at the public meeting and sent emails. Only one councilperson would have opted out but she was an outgoing council person, so she did not.

Rebecca suggested writing a letter to the local press thanking the village for opting out and providing information that might clear up the false narrative about lack of licenses.

Kelly shared that the Cannabis Control Board, stated that licensing is still unknown but referenced a preference to those adversely affected by marijuana in the past. This relates to the MRTA legislation and that it was meant to correct social justice issues.

Rebecca asked about fentanyl deaths related to marijuana that was laced, as this was a pro-opting in talking point. This is not a trend we have seen. Two in Suffolk a few years ago. More commonly laced into cocaine.

**3. Don't Say My Name premier**

January 27th, we (HUGS, SAFE) are hosting a premier at Bay Street Theater. Made by a Christian organization, about human trafficking. It is selling out and getting good reviews nationally. An actor from

Westhampton is in the film. There will be a Q&A afterwards. You must be vaccinated to attend. Kym asks that we all try to attend with friends.

Kym will discuss with the cast and crew about a possible reschedule due to Covid.

POST MEETING UPDATE: this event has been postponed, we are working on confirming a date in the spring.

#### **4. Youth Coalition Update**

Alexandria can't get in touch with The Church, and she suggests postponing the January meeting until a later date. She will try to get the meeting scheduled with the school administration before the youth coalition meeting. The health teacher will reach out to students that she thinks might be interested once we have a meeting date set.

#### **5. Community Scan**

Look for email from Randy related to these scans, which Deacon put together.

### **New Business**

#### **6. CADCA**

Still happening in person in Washington DC. No virtual/hybrid option. Kym is going and there is money in the budget to send other members. Randy and Karin have opted out for this year.

#### **7. Sector Rep Meetings**

Randy will be meeting individually with each rep. Please look for that email.

#### **8. DFC Progress Reports**

Next report due in February. Look for an email from Randy on that.

#### **9. Harborfrost**

Saturday, February 5th, with a snow storm date of Sunday, February 6th. The events will be outdoors only or events that allow for social distancing, from 1pm to 6pm. Fire dancers, fireworks, outdoor dance party at Steinbeck park, and ice sculpture carvings in Steinbeck park. SAFE agreed to sponsor an ice carving which will be located in Steinbeck Park, with our logo on a sign. We will bring down our ice scrapers to give out. No hot cocoa like previously discussed. They are trying to keep it simple. We will also give away glow sticks. We will need coalition members or volunteers to hand out glow sticks.

#### **10. New Goals for the New Year for SAFE**

Randy wants us all to think about this: What are we trying to do and how can we best align our efforts to make that happen?

Rebecca mentions no smoking policies in the village.

Kelly is focused on MRTA.

Cheryl would like to see more people in our meetings.

Kym mentioned she hopes to have a February meeting where we can break into groups to work on our action plan, get people engaged, with ownership.

Bill Sutton suggested we get something in the paper once a month, letter to the editor or an op ed.

Rebecca would like to see us get more information out about who we are, and that we are focused on keeping the kids safe, not focused on the adults. Perhaps host alcohol free events.

Christal suggested we use this time of year (new year's resolution time) to reach out to people about getting involved.

Karin wants to see more involvement among the community members and activities planned for families in the spring.

HUGS has hired an activities coordinator who can help us come up with activities.

### **11. Donation Request**

Pierson's Team 28 Robotics club requested a donation

\$100 allows for recognition on their website and social media. \$500 for a sticker on the robot and an invitation to the dinner and robot presentation. Agreed that we will give \$200 and can note it as an expense under our advertising. Need to be careful about setting a precedent for future donation requests.

**Next meeting Tuesday February 15th at 6pm**