<u>MINUTES</u> Tuesday, 10/26/2021, 6:00 pm, Zoom Video Communications



<u>ATTENDANCE:</u> Sector Representatives:

> Rebecca Burnside, Parent Rep., President Karin Schroeder, Civic/Volunteer Rep., Co-Vice President Cheryl Rozzi, Government Rep and Co-Vice President

Other:

A1C Christal Olivero, National Guard Counterdrug Task Force TSgt. Carissa Siry, National Guard Counterdrug Task Force SSG Jessica Alese, National Guard Counterdrug Task Force Paulette Orlando, American Lung Association Georgianna Dolan-Reilly, Long Island Prevention Resource Center

Staff:

Randy Hansen, SAFE in Sag Harbor Program Coordinator Alexandria Migliozzi, SAFE Youth Coordinator

1. Approval of minutes:

Cheryl noted that she should be listed at the Government sector rep. Also noted that under section 5, it should read "Deacon will help create"...(create replacing great). Motion to approve by Cheryl, second by Karin. Approved.

2. Old Business

Saturday October 23rd was National Drug Take Back Day. SAFE participated with the Southampton Town Police Department. They were set up from 10a - 2pm in the Bridgehampton Commons substation. 10 people stopped by and many with large bags full of medications. With just ten people, a lot of medications were collected. Officer Plum was there with Randy. He advised that they cannot accept liquid medications in police station drop boxes. We see an opportunity to get DeTerra bags out to people which do work with liquids.

3. Red Ribbon Week 10/25 - 10/29

Rebecca, Randy and Alexandria met with the school (Guidance, Health Teacher and Assistant Principal) and they were very receptive to our help. They worked together to come up with a full schedule for the week where every day has a different theme. We provided tools, videos, resources, etc. They also discussed collaborating for Mental Health Awareness month in the spring. We should get pictures from the school. They were not able to plant tulips this year. The plan going forward is for the 6th graders to plant tulips each Red Ribbon Week. The school has invited SAFE to collaborate again on Mental Health Awareness week, sometime in May.

4. DeTerra Bags/Real Estate collaboration

Continued to discuss our idea of providing information and tools to the local real estate agents as we have heard that tenants often leave behind medications when they leave a house. We would like to work toward rolling out something for the spring. In the meantime, a sub-committee that includes Rebecca, Jessica and Georgianna will work to come up with ideas, with the hopes of reaching out to a focus group of local RE agents for their input. Will try to connect with agents who have children in the Sag Harbor community. May 1, 2022 would be a good time to roll out.

5. Marijuana Legislation

Kym has a meeting scheduled with Sag Harbor Village Mayor Jim LaRocca. It seems like they are planning to opt out but there was also talk of the possible revenue, which makes it less clear. We will encourage the

village to opt out. If they do opt in, there will have to be laws in place to control the use of marijuana in the village as you can smoke marijuanna anywhere you can smoke a cigarette. The village can also control where it can be sold.

6. National Coalition Academy

Randy and Alexandria attended the academy. All of their products have been accepted and approved. Randy will send an email sharing those with us, and would like our input as to what works for us in terms of the substance prevention frameworks. Randy said she came away with great tools as a new coalition leader.

7. Youth Coalition

Alexandria is working to get this moving. She met with the Health Teacher, and the teacher has kids in mind for the coalition. Health is taught in 7th and 9th grade, so perhaps 7th through 9th grade would be a good place to start. There is a health and safety committee at the school that some kids are already involved with and she hopes those kids will be interested.

They cannot meet at Pierson this year so they have to find a meeting space. No meeting at the John Jermain Library and Budhaberry doesn't have tables. Suggestions from the group included the police station, firehouse, The Church, or churches, outside, or at a restaurant. Perhaps we can rotate using spaces that are owned or run by people who have been involved with SAFE in some capacity, or do we need continuity of time and space?

Suggestion to do a community scan as an early event with the coalition so that the students can see what is happening in their community and create the groups goals and an action plan based on that information. This group may also be part of the Mental Health Awareness Month planning in the spring.

8. Any other business

What events are coming up that we can be a part of?

We have a table at the Pumpkin Trail for this Halloween with candy and toys. Suggestion that next year we get napkins with SAFE on them to be used at the firehouse where they give out Hot Dogs. We can also take advantage of the line of people waiting for hot dogs and ask a survey question with two bowls of candy, where the bowl they take their candy from is the survey answer.

Nothing in November other than the high school teams participating in tournaments and championships. Can we support them in some way? Karin to share a schedule. If not for this season, a good idea moving forward, but will take some planning.

We talked about the idea of spotlighting students who are making healthy choices at the school. Perhaps post their photo and "resume" on social media, with parent permission. Many other coalitions do this. Perhaps give them some SAFE swag.

In the past, we set up tables at concerts. Can we do that again? Or, can we offer to print the programs for the concerts and then include something about SAFE in the programs? Randy to discuss with Kym.

We have also advertised in the musical programs. We will look into doing that again too.

We've been a part of the caroling at the windmill and the lighting of the menorah. Can we do that again? Randy will buy SAFE stickers so that we have them on hand for giveaways.

Next meeting is November 30th at 6pm.