

Persons Present : : NADAA Director Laura Osborne, YADA Coordinator Kayleigh Baker, NADAA Clerk Ashleigh Boeve, NADAA President Monty Lovelace, NADAA Board Member Carie Allen, AIM Institutes's Michael Shain, Region V's Amy Reynoldson, Chief of Police Dan White, Gregg Robke, Trenton Whisler, Nancy Fuller, Jacob Buss, Jacki Williams, Seth Bingham, Tammy Timms, Kermit Moore, Lori Broady, YADA Members Brandon Petet, Brent Comstock, Josh Osborne.

The meeting began with introductions as our federal officer, Charlotte Olson, was present. After everyone introduced themselves, the minutes from the June meeting were approved on the motion of Carie Allen and seconded by Amy Reynoldson. The motion was carried.

Laura Osborne began with updates. She made note of the gifts from our July campaign, which is well underway. Everyone present received a NADAA keychain with the July slogan "Don't drink and drive – The life you save could be mine", as well as a pen and pencil. The other campaign message is "Don't provide for minors –The life you save could be mine". Everyone in attendance also received the campaign flyers that have been used at the July 4th pancake feed as well as The Cleaners. The flyers are color coded orange and green. The orange contains the "Don't drink and drive" message, while the green displays the "Don't provide for minors" message. The images from the flyers are also currently on billboards just outside of town on both Highways 136 and 75. The campaign will continue through the county fair with the parades and a booth. For the fair booth, NADAA will be creating a teen bedroom with signs of problems with drugs or alcohol to educate parents, as only adults will be allowed to go in. We need people who have some skill in that area to help build a small scale bedroom. Laura mentioned that if you can help or know someone who can, please let us know as we are hoping to get started building as soon as possible. There will be games available for the youth, where pens and hypercolor pencils will be given as prizes. As for the parade, all volunteers who walk with our entry will get a free t-shirt. There are two shirts presenting the logos of the July campaign. Officer Dan White will be pulling a crashed car that was involved in an alcohol related accident. Please let us know if you and your family would be interested in walking with NADAA in the parade!

Laura then noted that the numbers reached reported was attached to the agenda. The numbers were a little lower than usual in June, but July will be much bigger with the campaign we are running.

Kayleigh Baker took the floor to report on YADA. She stated that the youth recently helped work the Optimists fireworks stand. The youth volunteered to earn the money being donated to them by the Optimists Club. Kayleigh noted how proud she was of the teens as she watched them work. From June 25th to July 4th, the students volunteered 143 hours of time. YADA received thank you cards from both Dennis Wittman and Bob Cole for their help. Kayleigh acknowledged that it was nice to hear encouraging words from the community about the group.

Kayleigh also reported that two YADA students, Brandon Petet and Brent Comstock are applying to be part of the Region V Youth Action Board. Roughly 40 students apply and only 17 or 18 are chosen. It is an honor to be chosen, as a lot of responsibility comes with it. Good luck to both Brandon and Brent.

In sub-committee news, Carie Allen reported that Susan Kruse had spoken with Kevin Reiman, AHS principal, about the After School Program. Mr. Reiman is on board with the program and looking forward to it. The group is looking to start out slowly and build. They are working together with 4H to put together a good program. The Underage Drinking Task Force is waiting to hear about their application for the Stop Grant to conduct a multi-media campaign.

Amy Reynoldson from Region V reported that NADAA is fully funded from the Federal Block Grant. Region V is excited because they can see the progress NADAA has made. She noted that the Youth Action Board interviews were to start July 17, with announcements of those chosen coming in early August.

Laura drew attention to the upcoming ways NADAA members can participate in the coalitions work with the following:

July 21 – Town Hall planning meeting– other risky behaviors of youth

July 30 – Parent forum meeting, partnering with ministerial alliance.

August 10 – Underage Drinking Task Meeting at NADAA office

August 18 – Red Ribbon Week Family Festival Meeting at NADAA office

August 22 – Booth at PSC New Student Weekend in Peru

The group was informed that an online survey of nine questions had been emailed out. The questions only required you to check one box. Disappointingly, only 5 people filled the survey out. The survey was made to find out what NADAA can do to make meetings better for the members. The survey will be re-sent with the hope that we get more responses. We want your feedback to make things better for YOU!

Federal Project Officer Charlotte Olson then presented. She confirmed that the goal of her visit was to help provide support to our coalition. Charlotte informed us that the Drug Free Communities (DFC) grant monies we receive comes not from taxes, but from money seized from drug busts and raids.

Some highlights from Charlotte's presentation are:

Goal of DFC – establish and strengthen collaboration, form a strong coalition

Membership 12 sectors (representation we should have involved in the group)– youth, parents, business, media, schools, youth serving organizations, law enforcement agencies, religions/fraternal organizations, civic and volunteer groups, healthcare professionals, state/ local governmental agencies, other org. involved in reducing substance abuse

Coalition essentials – members represent the community, work is community focused, decision making and action occur at the coalition member level, staff plays a coordinating and supportive role – staff do not make the decisions or do the work in isolation

Coalition vs program – coalition is not a single program or collection of programs, individual coalition members may carry out activities programs, the coalition must determine appropriate environmental strategies, coalitions leverage resources

Goal 2 – reduce substance abuse among youth and, over time, among adults. Track via the DFC core measures: age of onset, frequency of use in the past 30 days perception of risk and harm, perception of parental disapproval

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.