



# Nemaha Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse

## *“Strengthening Today’s Youth Builds Our Future”*

601 J Street  
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Meeting Minutes  
September 16, 2009 - 12:00 Noon – Johnson Brock High School

Present: NADAA Director Laura Osborne, YADA Coordinator Kayleigh Baker, NADAA Clerk Ashleigh Boeve, NADAA Vice President Jacquelyn Kelsay, Board Member Carie Allen, Amy Reynoldson of Region V Systems, Seth Bingham, Mary-Jo Parker, Paul Lillenas, Lori Broady, Chelsey Mowen and Andrea Gilbert

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Laura Osborne began by passing around sign-up sheets for those interested in volunteering for the Red Ribbon Family Festival on Saturday, October 24th. We still need volunteer help with set up, running the games and concessions as well as clean up. Another sign-up sheet was passed around to volunteer to help with the Meals on Wheels program in November. We are in need of drivers as well as meal runners. Please contact Ashleigh Boeve if you are able to help with either one of these.

The first topic of discussion was when we will hold our future coalition meetings. We received the results from the online survey. The results are attached with these meeting minutes. Laura reminded everyone that the staff is open to rescheduling the meetings and we are looking for a time when the majority of our coalition can attend. Several options were mentioned. After discussion, the group’s recommendation would be to move the meetings to 4pm on the third Tuesday or Thursday of the month. It was noted that feedback from our faith partners will be important in making the final decision to avoid conflict with church functions. A change will not be made until November, so be sure to note our next meeting will fall on the scheduled third Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at noon at Auburn High School in the media center.

The Parent Forum was held on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The forum was described as a “live offline chatroom”. Parents were able to ask questions about drugs and drug use, prevention, how to detect drug use and how to seek help for drug use. Blue Valley Behavioral Health was on hand to answer these questions for the parents.

The August Town Hall meeting went very well. Currently the coalition is working on follow up steps to the town hall. Anyone interested in helping is encouraged to contact Ashleigh.

In Homecoming news, AHS voted to keep their dance on Friday night after the game. This makes the Homecoming games and dances on the same night for both Auburn and Johnson-Brock. Laura will attend the AHS Homecoming and Kayleigh will attend the JBHS Homecoming. Both will need help hanging t-shirts for “Fatalities on the Fence”, so if you will be at either school before the game, please let us know if you are available to help!

NADAA is becoming a member of both the Auburn and Johnson Chamber of Commerce. This reinforces our involvement in the community and shows that the coalition wants to help in a positive way. An inquiry has been put in to the Peru Chamber of Commerce, but there has been no word back yet.

NADAA has a chance to participate in the Power of Prevention From Within conference. The conference is Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Laura and Kayleigh will be attending, and members are encouraged to go. Registration is required, and you can attend for free if you register early enough. The conference will present three speakers: Sally Zellers, Dr. Dennis Embree, and Clay Roberts.

In YADA news, Kayleigh reported she is working on a YADA handbook. The handbook will include the pledge and what membership means, along with other guidelines and information. Kayleigh is working on Red Ribbon Week and Stop Day plans with YADA. The youth are helping with ideas for and ways to promote both Red Ribbon Week and Stop Day.

Kayleigh informed the group that she has had a great turnout for her Johnson Brock YADA meetings. The number of students has more than doubled since last year. YADA will soon start work on a Region V mini grant that will help fund some YADA activities, like the 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter. Kayleigh is looking for ways to get the youth more involved with the local communities and the local communities involved with the youth. Carie Allen has received feedback that YADA is providing a leadership opportunity for students who aren't in other activities.

In Subcommittee updates, much progress is being made with the After School Program is making much progress. Carie Allen reported that the tutoring portion will be separated from other activities, with one tutoring area and two activities areas. The group is working through the planning and know that it will take a little while before the perfect plan is developed. 4H will take care of expenses and snacks. The brochures and posters for the program turned out really well (brochure attached). Laura pointed out the NADAA needs to stay involved as the 4H program only has a one year grant as of right now. The program will run from 3:45 pm – 5:15. The After School Program is in motion!

Mary-Jo Parker updated the group on the Red Ribbon Family Festival. She reported that planning is going well. There will be a magician and a snake handler courtesy of Music in the Park. NADAA will provide inflatables and other games. Katy Billings and Armstrong Cabinet are putting together a Fun Run. Volunteers are still needed!

Seth Bingham from Peru State College stated that he, Peggy Groff and Laura Osborne will be attending a workshop on October 6<sup>th</sup> on At Risk Drinking.

Upcoming ways for coalition members to participate are:

- **October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Homecoming at both Auburn and Johnson Brock**
- **October 17<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> – Red Ribbon Week**
- **October 22<sup>nd</sup> - STOP Day**
- **October 24<sup>th</sup> – Family Festival**
- **November – Meals on Wheels**

Ashleigh Boeve  
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**Next NADAA Meeting  
Wednesday October 21, 2009 @ Noon  
Auburn High School**