



Nemaha Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse

“Strengthening Today’s Youth Builds Our Future”

601 J Street
Auburn, NE
68305

Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2009
12:00 Noon
Auburn High School

Persons Present: Laura Osborne, Susan Kruse, Amy Reynoldson, Mary-Jo Parker, Dan White, Brent Lottman, Bob Cole, Holly Riley, Kevin Reiman.

Bob Cole moved and Amy Reynoldson seconded the motion to accept the minutes from Jan. 21, 2009 coalition meeting as mailed to members Jan. 26. Motion carried.

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Laura Osborne discussed coalition updates. She pointed out that her written report included an updated chart for number of people the coalition reached in December and January. She also noted that the Responsible Beverage Server trainings have been set for March 2nd and are being offered free of charge to all Nemaha County Liquor License holders as well as those who plan to apply for liquor licenses in the near future. Laura advised that letters of intent have been submitted for NADAA and YADA for Region V Spring Mini Grants. The youth are going to develop a radio ad campaign that will be recorded by YADA members. NADAA’s application will be for some type of training or retreat for coalition members that could be facilitated by someone like Sally Zellers. Amy said that this was a great concept to pursue. Laura reminded everyone to read the written report provided by Youth Coordinator Kayleigh Baker as well.

Susan Kruse reported on the After School Program Subcommittee. She advised that the Governor’s Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities grant is now available, and the group is going to develop an application for this grant which is due April 1st.

Amy Reynoldson from Region V Systems provided updates reminding everyone that the Region is hosting a Cultural Competency Summit in March. Amy encouraged coalition members to attend with Laura and Kayleigh. She also noted that the Region is hosting a Legislative Breakfast this coming Friday morning at which they hope to draw more attention to methamphetamine abuse issues that continue to occur in Nebraska. Amy also noted that several Region V employees attended the CADCA conference last week. They are going to share the information they learned in small group sessions at the March 12th Regional Coalition Meeting. Therefore, any coalition member who would like to attend with Laura is encouraged to do so. Amy then led the group through a quarterly coalition assessment worksheet.

Monty Lovelace
President

Jackie Kelsay
Vice President

Susan Kruse
Secretary

Dick Hahn, Jr.
Treasurer

Laura advised that the Independence Day event organized by Calvary Christian Church the past few years is undergoing dramatic cut backs this year due to the economic downturn. Monty had notified Laura that the church plan to provide just a couple of hours of activities in the morning and nothing more this year. Laura asked if for this booth and for any booths the coalition wishes to have at community events – are there volunteers willing to man these booths? Especially on the 4th of July, which is a holiday for the office paid staff. Holly Riley indicated that depending upon the times needed on the 4th of July, she would be willing to assist. The group determined that more detailed information about the 4th of July event is needed before a decision can be made about having a booth there. For booths overall, Amy noted that sometimes, having a table set up with information can be equally if not more effective because people are not intimidated by having to approach a person – they can comfortably review the information provided and take the materials left on the table. This worked well for the Region V booth at the State Fair this year. For now, Laura will seek more detailed information from Monty so a decision can be made concerning the 4th of July event this year.

The Year 3 Drug-Free Communities (DFC) grant application is due March 2nd. Laura noted that work is progressing on this. She and Mike Shain approached the Nemaha County Hospital Board the night before to request a yearly donation pledge (the hospital did not make a 5-year pledge at the beginning of the grant as the other donors had done). Laura was pleased to advise that the NCH Board voted unanimously to provide a \$1,000 donation for the next 3 years contingent upon NADAA successfully securing the grant renewal each year.

At the February 4, 2009 NADAA Executive Board meeting, Carie Allen was appointed to fill the Board vacancy as a Board Member at Large. Mary-Jo Parker moved to ratify the appointment, motion being seconded by Dan White. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

**Next NADAA Meeting
Wednesday March 18, 2009 @ Noon
Johnson Brock High School**