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Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2019

Welcome

Kameo Chasse, Donna Arias, Albee Budnitz, Linda Lennon, Hannah Swabowicz, Haleigh Swabowicz, Lynn Clowes, Sue Haas, Becca Lerner, Dee Gingras, Leah Elliott, Lucinda Blanchard, Sara Ceasar, Amy Callahan, Betsy Houde, Sandra Pratt, Rosemarie Dykeman, Gail Casey, Janeth Orozco, Lisa Vasquez, Shayana Owen, Chris Vasquez, Janet Valuk, Mike Apfelberg, Laura Labrie, Jared Barbosa, Samantha Little, Jen Miller, Laura Towne, Larry Harding

Minutes of March 6, 2019 meeting were approved unanimously with those who were not present abstaining

Next official meeting: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 will be facilitated by Hannah.

Announcements

• Coalition Updates-

- **Coalition Academy** Jan and Kameo attended, it became clear we need a lot more data, but have a lot of resources. We started an academic survey to look at vaping. Once we have a larger sample, we will share the data with the coalition.
- **T21** The local ordinance to move the age to sell tobacco in Nashua to 21 passed through the Board of Alderman Committee, scheduled to go through the full board on Tuesday, April 9th, at 7:30pm at City Hall. The youth that spoke had a huge impact and changed the minds of some alderman. Youth were strongly encouraged to attend and speak about their experience. There was discussion on talking points.
- **Breathe NH** will be doing an open house and presentation with a panel on Thursday, April 11th, from 5:30-7pm. Please register at breathnh.org
- **Board of Education** Jan, Albee, and Kameo will do a vaping presentation for the Board of Alderman on Monday, April 8th.

- **Website** we are updating and overhauling the website, we plan to go live the end of May or beginning of June.
 - **DEA 360 Updates**- Prevention Night at Fisher Cats Stadium April 18th at 7pm
 - **Regional Updates**- it's public health week and there is a big push for the DEA Take Day on April 27th
 - **Other Announcements**- Lynn announced a couple trainings: 4/11 noon at 10 Prospect Street called SUD Cultures Forum and on 4/17 a Stigma Across Cultures training at Greater Nashua Mental Health - only 10 seats available.
- Albee discussed a Senate bill to re-write 126K to include vaping devices, it was broadly supported.
- Boys and Girls Club is giving out Prom Dresses in collaboration with Katie's Closet

Supporting DEA Take Back Day + Youth Video Project

- DEA Take Back Saturday April 27th 10am-2pm at the DPW garage. Everyone was asked to take a poster to pharmacies to ask the pharmacist to post it. We are doing the resource bag, we gave out 136 in October, we need any information by April 19th (bring 150 copies). If anyone is available to join Kameo to help give out bags let her know. Becca Lerner, Sandra Pratt, and Linda Lennon volunteer.
- Youth video project red carpet event is May 15th, doors will open at 5pm. Tim Callery, Amanda Schneck, and Matt Gosselin will be the judges. It will cost \$17 for a coalition member to come, Kameo will send out an evite. It's \$2 off if you purchase 2 tickets. Registrations are due by May 2nd. SNHH will purchase tickets for the folks who attend the senior suppers. We have 9 videos, and they're really impressive.
- Kameo sent around little spring thank you tokens for the members

Group Discussion + Activity

- Discussion on who is at the table and what sectors/organizations are missing from the table that would help to further our mission

Sector	Individuals	Organization
Government		Mayor's Office
Higher Education		Rivier University
Higher Education		Nashua Community Col.

Education K-12		Bishop Guertin
Healthcare		St. Joseph's Hospital
Healthcare	Albee will reach out to a pediatrician	Dartmouth
Healthcare		AMR
Other Substance Use Org.		Revive (parent support Group)
Youth Serving		Transitional Housing Programs
Business		BAE
Civic/Volunteer	Lynn will make a connection	African Community Association
Healthcare		IDN Staff/Executive Committee Representative
Government	Alderman Wilshire	Board of Alderman
Education K-12	Heather Raymond	Board of Education
Health Insurance	Gail has a contact	Well Sense
Health Insurance	Scott Wellman	Healthy NH
Faith	Rosemarie will reach out	Interfaith Council And Catholic
Faith	Jen has a contact	Crossway
	Albee will reach out to Jan Schmidt	State Legislature
		Pharmacies
		Media

- Community mapping was tabled for next month

SADD Update:

- Fairgrounds presented on their SADD chapter that meets during advisory at the beginning of the day, which has been very effective. They did a kindness challenge, raised over \$200 for the intensive needs program. They just finished their video submission. The students have really stepped up and are taking the lead on the initiatives. Miles, an 8th grader, spoke about the opportunity to take on the leadership role he took on and he has been focused on creating more positive leaders in the school. He spoke about how it has helped with his confidence. There was discussion about the opportunity for the 8th graders to connect with Leah and the students from South's SADD group. Discussion on helpful resources. They don't use SADD, they focus more on positive leadership.

Upcoming Events:

- **Board of Alderman Meeting, Tobacco 21-** Tuesday April 9th Aldermanic Chamber 7:30pm
- **Youth Video Project Sub-Committee Meeting** – April 4th
- **DEA Take Back Day** – April 27th
- **Teen Institute Parenting Workshop** – May 9th – June 13th
- **Youth Video Project Red-Carpet Event** – May 15th, Doors open at 5:00 pm
- **Over the Edge** – June 28th

Join us at our next meeting on May 1, 2019!

