



Meeting Minutes  
January 24, 2012

### **Attendance**

Judy Armstrong, Jennifer T. Bova, Shirley Christian, Michelle Cox, Lisa Daniels, Carol Davis, Alicia Garcia, Pat Garrity, Bruce Johnson, Claudia Kasten, Susie Kuruvilla, C. J. Locke, Mary Marsolek, Peggy Miller, Amy Onan, Gary Pickens, Amy Pukal, Jean Smuda, Margaret Resnick, Ray Rose, Angela Tossman, Brian Williams

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Welcome and Introductions were made.

### **Minutes of November 15, 2011**

Minutes were approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Membership invoices were sent out. We have received \$1375 in dues to date. Susie worked from list from Peggy Miller. Some emails have bounced back and some she has been in contact with to confirm those remaining members and the status of their payments. Susie passed the list around if anyone wanted to check if their agency had paid or still needs to pay.

Treasury funds are currently at \$17,810 as reported from Nicasa. Character Matters amount remains the same at \$5,683. There is a discrepancy of \$900 from what Nicasa reports to what Susie has. She will work with Nicasa to resolve it. Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

We received a \$2000 donation from AT&T, through the help of Rep. Ed Sullivan, 51<sup>st</sup> District representative. Jean Smuda, from Rep. Sullivan's office, was thanked for the efforts of Rep. Sullivan's office.

### **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

#### **Lake County Underage Drinking Prevention Task Force:**

Chief Rose reported that the UDPTF is looking at the structure of the Task Force. We have refined the committee structure and purpose of some of the committees to better reflect the needs of the Task Force.

We will pursue an application for the Federal Drug Free Community Grant. This is a 5 year renewable grant for a \$125K for each year. Agencies can apply for a second 5 year grant, so there is the possibility the grant could be awarded for a total of 10 years. A committee will be formed, with LCHD as the lead, to write the grant. Part of the grant requirements is to look at 2 drugs or substances to address. We will continue with alcohol for underage

drinking and prescription drugs abuse as the second drug. There are already many communities that have or are looking at starting Rx drug drop off points either in police stations or village halls. We will also look at disposal issues. Currently, all filled containers must be taken to Indianapolis for incineration.

The Lake County Board must first approve that LCHD can apply for this grant. We feel that we have a very high likelihood of being awarded the grant as we have been a successful Task Force already and have been doing the work that the grant seeks to address.

We have also started to look at the issue of heroin usage in Lake County. Usage is increasing and the number of deaths in Lake County has been rising over the last 2 years.

### Stand- Up/Partnership for Success

This is the third year of the 3 year grant. Three people from the Coalition who attended the CADC National Coalition Academy this summer will be going to Washington, D.C for the graduation. This is now a requirement for all grantees. The tools that you learn in the Academy now must be utilized in grant project. Twelve sectors must participate in the grant. We targeted 150 people for membership and about 25 people attend the meeting.

Mundelein High School and Carmel Catholic High School are working on positive social norms campaign. They have put posters above the drinking fountains and materials in the bathrooms to reach the students.

### Character Matters

No Report. Claudia Kasten remarked that Character Matters is working not only teaching kids about character development, but reaching adults to model good behavior for kids to emulate.

### New Business:

#### Youth Summit:

The Youth Summit will be held in April 2012, date TBD depending on the availability of the speaker. Emphasis will be on bullying. Pat Garrity will be the coordinator. Pat has met with Grayslake North High School students. Target audience will be middle schools with High School students as facilitators. Format will be similar to the first Youth Summit - Be the Change, with motivational speaker, mixer activity, breakout sessions, and wrap up session. Students will work on personal, school and community goals. Kids will report out on what they plan to do and what will be the follow up. Challenge will be getting kids together for planning. Pat will be contact person.

A motion was made to give SAO \$1000 to purchase RISE ABOVE bracelets to be used for the upcoming Youth Summit. The motion passed.

#### Presentation: Rise Above

Claudia Kasten from SAO presented the RISE ABOVE campaign that was developed by the SAO and the Juvenile Justice Council (JJC) and Juvenile Officer's Association (JOA) for last year's fall seminar, of which the topic was bullying. Erika Harold, Miss America 2003 was the keynote speaker. The SAO received a grant for this project. Posters, cards with resources and bracelets with the RISE ABOVE logo were made and distributed to schools. All materials were reviewed by students for input and messaging. The students really like the bracelets and they have been the fastest moving item. There was also a pledge created (see attached) for the students to sign emphasizing standing up for themselves.

All schools must have a protocol for bullying. We have signed up approximately 60 schools to help develop protocol and programs. This should be considered an ongoing project. Schools could be looking for sponsors as many full anti-bullying programs are expensive if you do assessment, programs, and evaluations. SAO is looking at grants. Suggestions were made for Kiwanis match grants and RLA BEST's Community Empowerment grant. Also the LC Chiefs of Police Association can be approached.

Claudia also talked about the Victim Offender Mediation Program instituted last year a Juvenile. Offenders agree to meet with mediator, victim if they choose to participate and a community member to understand the impact of their actions and what type of restitution would be appropriate. This has been very effective program and gives the victims a voice in the process.

**Announcements:**

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday February 28, 2012 8:30 am.

Mundelein Police Department, 221 Lake Street, Mundelein

Respectfully submitted,  
Peggy Miller  
Secretary