LAWRENCE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ALLIANCE MINUTES

March 22, 2016 5:00 P.M.

Lawrence Municipal Building

Present:

Lisa Snyder, Project Graduation Susan Stahley, Rider University Carol Chamberlain, Chairperson Dr. David Maffei, Mayor

Lt Joe Amodio, Lawrence Police Department

Absent: Recreation Superintendent

Ann DeGennaro, Superintendent Representative

Kelly Nitti, Camp Fire New Jersey Sue Varga, Community Representative

A. Review of Minutes

The minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved.

B. Grant Activity Reports

<u>PETS/CIA</u> – No report

Camp Fire New Jersey-No report

<u>Project Graduation</u> Lisa Snyder reported several activities are scheduled for the spring months.

- -Mr. LHS, which is the major fundraiser for Project Graduation will be May 6th.
- -Project Graduation is scheduled for June 20th. Chaperones are needed to assist that evening.
- -The senior breakfast is scheduled and will be conducted in conjunction with the third grade letter-writing project and the police demonstration of the crashed vehicle.
- -The pancake breakfast was conducted at Applebee's. A total of \$1,400.00 was raised with 150 tickets sold.

Community Awareness –

The LADA was represented at the Living Local Expo at Rider University on March 19. The event was presented by Mercer County Sustainability Group. Information on medication disposal and safe syringe disposal was distributed to those who attended.

Saturday, April 29 will be DEA Operation Take Back Day. This will be coordinated through the Mercer County Sheriff's Office. Lawrence Township has a disposal location available at all

times but the publicity for the Take Back Day will include Lawrence Township Drop Off information.

National Night Out will be scheduled for Tuesday, August 1. Additional information will follow. Volunteers are needed to assist at the table for this event.

Coordinator Report – The third quarter of the 2015-2016 grant year will be completed March 31st. Carol C. requested all the grant recipients schedule a time to meet with her to review the current grant activities and budget for each program. This needs to be done to assure all programmatic requirements will be met and to ensure the budget funds will be appropriately used. Third quarter reports are due the first week in April.

D. Old Business

<u>Sticker Shock</u> – Carol Chamberlain reported the grant includes implementation of the Sticker Shock program. Volunteer students are needed to implement the program. Susan Stahley said she may have students who can assist on reading day, which is scheduled for May 3.

<u>Parents Who Host Lose the Most</u> – This program is to be completed within the grant. Carol Chamberlain is requesting ideas of how to reach parents with this program. It was suggested information about Parents Who Host be distributed at upcoming events at the high school. Senior Awards Night, National Honor Society program and the spring concert. It was suggested to contact Dave Adams, the principal at the high school. Carol said she will also ask the district if information can be placed in the Quik News.

E. New Business

Susan Stahley updated the group on activities at Rider University.

- -Alcohol Awarenesss Month will be recognized during the month of April.
- -LalaNoBooza will be held on May 3. This is an alcohol-free event on campus celebrating the end of classes and the start of the reading period before final exams.
- In May, Rider students will be participating tin the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. This will take place in the Alumni Gum on campus.
- -Rider University has Alcoholics Anonymous meetings on campus every Tuesday at 6:30. This is offered at BL Center on campus.

Lastly Susan has recently become a member of the Heroin Task Force of Mercer County. Others on the task force include Kevin Meara from City of Angels and Mercer County Acting Prosecutor, Angelo Onofri. The group is reviewing the statistics of overdoses and Narcan saves in Mercer County and assessing the needs for educational prevention programs.

F. Next Meeting Date

The next LADA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

G. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlain Chairperson