

LAWRENCE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ALLIANCE
MINUTES
May 22, 2012
5:00 P.M.
Manager's Conference Room
Lawrence Municipal Building

Present: Steve Groeger, Lawrence Township Recreation Department
Laura O'Mara, Homefront
Kelly Nitti, Campfire U.S.A.
Laurie Wilson, Project Graduation
Ken Dunn, Community Representative
Melody Powell, P.E.I. Kids
Carol Chamberlain, Chairperson

Absent: Richard Monacchio, Community Representative
Tonia Moore, School Representative
Bryson Edgar, Lawrence Township Police Department
Sue Varga, Community Representative
James Kownacki, Mayor, Council Liaison

A. Minutes

The minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting were tabled to the next meeting.

B. Grant Activity Reports

LMTI - No report.

Camp Fire U.S.A. - The programs are completed for this school year.

PEI Kids - The anti-bullying program has been completed at the middle school for 2011-2012.

Project Graduation - Laurie Wilson reported graduation of Lawrence High School is scheduled for June 20th at 3:00 p.m. Currently 279 students are expected to graduate.

There will be a fundraiser breakfast at Applebee's on June 2 from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

There is no Cardinal Party scheduled this year as a fundraiser. The committee is selling balloons for graduates as a fundraiser.

There are currently twenty parents on the committee. They are looking for volunteers to help the night of the event.

Laurie Wilson said the Project Graduation coordinators are willing to put a link to the Alliance brochure on their website. Laurie and Steve Groeger will work on this activity.

DARE - There was no representative from DARE at the meeting. The representative has recently changed to Bryson Edgar. He notified Carol Chamberlain the two DARE graduations will be in June. St. Ann's graduation will be June 7th at 9:15 a.m. where 26 students will graduate. On June 12th at 9:30 a.m. Lawrence Intermediate School will have 326 fifth graders graduating.

Community Awareness - Carol Chamberlain reported she attended the St. Lawrence Bike Rodeo on May 12th. LADA brochures were distributed at this event. Over 200 families visited the table at the bike rodeo.

The next event will be National Night Out in August. Grantees were reminded that as part of their grant commitment, they must participate in at least one community activity during the grant period.

C. New Business

Coordinator and Chairperson Positions - Carol Chamberlain explained the Governor's Council sent a notice the positions of coordinator and chairperson cannot be filled by the same individual. Carol explained that since Betty Donahue resigned as coordinator, she has taken over the duties until a replacement can be found. The coordinator is a paid position. The job description was distributed. It includes overseeing the grant and coordinating the activities conducted by the Alliance. The chairperson is a volunteer position. The chairperson oversees the LADA meetings and represents the LADA at events within the township as well as at events outside the township. Carol informed the Alliance that both positions are open. As the staff liaison Carol will continue to maintain the budget for the grant but the two positions are open to interested parties. Carol asked that if anyone is interested in either position they should contact her.

D. Next Meeting Date

The next LADA meeting is scheduled for June 26th at 5:00 p.m. Second quarter reports will be due from grantees at that time.

E. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlain
Chairperson