

**LAWRENCE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ALLIANCE
MINUTES**

September 18, 2012

5:00 P.M.

**Manager's Conference Room
Lawrence Municipal Building**

Present: Steve Groeger, Lawrence Township Recreation Department
Kelly Nitti, Camp Fire U.S.A.
Melody Powell, P.E.I. Kids
Tonia Moore, School Representative
Carol Chamberlain, Chairperson

Absent: Laura O'Mara, Homefront
Ken Dunn, Coordinator
Sue Varga, Community Representative
Rich Monnachio, Community Representative
Bryson Edgar, DARE
James Kownacki, Mayor, Council Liaison
Project Graduation Representative

A. Minutes

The minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved.

B. Grant Activity Reports

Camp Fire U.S.A. - The programs will be starting at Little Kids College and Ben Franklin Elementary School in the first grade in the fall.

PEI Kids - No activity to report.

Project Graduation - No activity reported.

DARE - No activity reported. Carol Chamberlain reported the police have announced DARE will no longer be presented in the schools due to budget cuts in the police department.

LMTI - Tonia Moore reported there were six students from Lawrence High School who attended camp this year. The group won the highest honor of the camp, the Lindsey Rose Meyer Memorial Prevention Award for 2011-2012. This award was for being recognized as the top action group. Tonia Moore reported the group was thrilled to receive the honor. The group received a trophy along with three scholarships to camp for next year.

LMTI will be participating in Back-to-School Night at Lawrence High School and they will be at Community Day.

Tonia also told the LADA about a new student group called THREADS. This is a student initiative which has three student coordinators. The group has three components 1) Peer Mentoring - There are currently forty students trained to mentor sophomores, freshman, and LIS students. The mentors are working with transfer students also. 2) Community Service - The THREADS group is looking for community service projects to complete. Thirty students recently completed a clean-up project at Eggert Crossing Village. 3) Raising Funds for Students In Need - The students will be raising funds, collecting clothes, and collecting other items. Carol Chamberlain requested information on the collection projects in order to share the information with others in the community.

Fright Night is scheduled for October 26, 2012. This is the LMTI October fundraiser.

Coordinator - There was no coordinator report.

Community Awareness - Carol Chamberlain said the LADA will have a table at Community Day and at the Slackwood Elementary School Health Fair. Melody Powell offered to work at the LADA table 12:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m. Rich Monnachio also offered to assist at the table.

C. New Business

Third Quarter Reports - Carol Chamberlain reminded grantees third quarter reports are due by October 1, 2012. Copies of reporting forms were available for grantees

Community Day - Steve Groeger announced Community Day will be held on Sunday, October 7 from 12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. It will be held on the Yeger Drive side of Village Park. There are approximately seventy-five vendors signed up to participate. There will be a shredding event at Community Day. Steve Groeger said there will be games, wagon rides, and a magic show. LMTI and other community groups will be present. Steve Groeger encouraged everyone to attend.

D. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is scheduled for October 23, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

E. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlain
Chairperson