

Carroll County Anti-Drug Coalition Meeting
November 1, 2011
Noon – 1:00 p.m.
Carrollton Municipal Court

Present:

Natalie Bollon, ADAMHS Board
JJ Boroski, Community Mental Healthcare
David Butler, Community Member
Nick Cascarelli, Carroll County Health Department
Renee DiMario, Community Member
Mike Durkin, Carroll County Municipal Court
Jennifer Ferguson, Sheriff's Department
John McCall, Carroll County Family and Children First Council
Jeff Ohler, Carroll County Commissioner
Dianne Oliver, Dianne Oliver Consulting
Dave Ramsell, Grantstreet Creative
Rachel Rinkes, Carroll County Juvenile Court
Dave Schaffer, ADAMHS Board
Larry A. Townsend, Alcohol and Addiction Program

Meeting Summary:

The meeting was called to order by Mike Durkin, the newly appointed chair of the Coalition. All persons present introduced themselves.

Mike led a discussion about the coalition's mission statement. A number of people had submitted suggestions for the mission statement and they were read and discussed by the group. After considerable discussion, Mike asked members to send additional comments to him and he will work with Dave Ramsell to incorporate them into a mission statement.

Dave Ramsell of Grantstreet Creative provided a demonstration of the new coalition website. There were suggestions for some additional links, including "signs and symptoms" and "support for parents". Member's response to the website was very favorable and all agreed that it will be a valuable resource in the community. Dave asked members to submit any additional suggestions or informational pieces to him via e-mail at artist@grantstreetcreative.com. Dave also talked briefly about the electronic newsletter. Members were asked to submit content and stories for the newsletter which will be produced quarterly. Once it is up and running it may be possible to sell ads in it to help underwrite the costs.

Dianne Oliver presented the revised planning model. There were just a couple of changes based on the discussion at the October coalition meeting. Marijuana as a separate problem was deleted. Problem #1 on the model was expanded to include other drugs along with underage drinking. Problem # 5, "lack of interagency trust and cooperation by key partners" was added. Dianne stressed the importance of the ongoing collection of

supporting data to document progress and suggested that the coalition consider doing a parent survey as a means of tracking permissive norms and attitudes about alcohol. She suggested adding this to the list of performance measures. Following a brief discussion, Dave Schaeffer asked for the group to approve the planning model with the suggested changes. The planning model was approved.

The Memorandum of Understanding was reviewed. All members were asked to take the MOU back to their respective agencies and to sign it and bring it back to the next meeting.

Larry Townsend shared information from the Medical Marijuana Summit that he attended. After some discussion, it was suggested that the coalition prepare a resolution outlining their stance on the medical marijuana issue.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday December 6, 2011 at the Carrollton Municipal Court.

Meeting adjourned.