

KLASAC Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2017
Lyle High School

1. Introductions done. Celebrations:

- Door prize done (winner: Cheryl Warren Jeff won last month but was not present)
- Thank yous to everyone that helped with NNO
- New banner was shared by photo

2. Community Happenings:

- Park Days in Lyle August 23rd 1-3pm and Klickitat August 24th 1-3pm
- Lyle School eclipse party. Pancake breakfast, glasses available, all invited to watch eclipse from football field.

3. Debby Jones spoke about Youth Think. Explained that they received a Drug Free Community Grant that helped them get started. They use the campaign "Most of us don't". She said they are willing to help us with this if we would like. They do a parent boot camp which she is willing to do for one of our meetings if we would like to check it out. They are concentrating more on building healthy emotional skills. Trying to raise ACES resistant youth. They have had over 200 adults go through their parent boot camp at this point. Working with schools to build "emotional literacy".

4. Media group update:

- Kirsten talked about a training that she attended, along with Megan, Debi and Rita, on Social Marketing. She said it was a good experience that focuses on "changing people's behaviors".
- At this time we as a group need to make decision on our action plan. Narrowed down to two choices:
 1. Address misperception of parent attitude about substance use. Kids think parents think it is ok when they actually don't think that at all.
 2. Address misperception that most kids are using substances when they actually are not using.* After discussion everyone chose to address the kids and their misperceptions as the area to focus on. This was voted on and all were in favor. None opposed.

5. Executive Committee updates:

- Two positions open: Secretary and Community Member at Large
- Sector reps sharing: Decided that quarterly we would ask 3 sector reps to share what is going on in their area.
- Member of the Month: Had discussion about this and it was determined that this is something for Executive Committee to continue looking at. Not sure that they want a "Member of the Month" but had some other ideas such as a "Member Spotlight" each month with some general questions to get to know one member better each month or recognizing a person from outside of group each month from one of the sectors for the work that they do with in the community.
- Strategic Plan has been approved. We will review Action Plan next month for Coalition approval.

6. Sector Sharing:

- Law Enforcement: Larry Barker said that the Juvenile Dept. will begin meeting with schools again shortly. Have seen doubling of fatalities from marijuana incidents and the caseload of DUI's with marijuana has increased. Juvenile Dept. is looking at why they are dealing with the kids that they are dealing with. For example maybe the kids are being raised by parents who use drugs. Crimes have moved to assaults and thefts instead of MIP's and other minor charges.

- Schools: Andrew Kelley said that Rettai will be coming back for 2nd year. Lyle continues to build relationships with kids. They have successfully sent 4 kids to treatment that are all on the path to graduate now. All of their staff have now received YMHFA training. There is lower substance use on campus and contributes this to the relationships that they have formed with the kids. All of the kids have access all of the time to himself via texting. Kids know that they can let him or someone else know what is going on without being outed and other kids finding out. Rettai and her husband ran Cougar Quest 17 this year where kids helped with different community projects and attended lunch with seniors where they conducted interviews with senior citizens. He is trying to model for kids by using his own personal issues and they now have AA started. He has gotten to know people through this and not be so quick to judge as before. Academics have also improved highly over the last 3 or 4 years. First day of school is the following Monday where fathers and other male community members will be greeting kids for their first day. Part of the Million Father's Watch.
- Local Government: Dave Sauter said the budget process will start soon. A big part of our financial resources comes from the landfill. This money provides many services for our county such as senior services. The Snohomish County contract with the landfill was renewed. This is about 30 million dollars over the next 30 years that will help the county to continue providing services. Marijuana memoritorium was temporary but is now permanently banned from granting anymore licenses. Current businesses can grow to the tier that they were approved for but no more new licenses or permits will be given out. We currently have 18 grows and 3 shops.