

Ridgefield Prevention Council

MINUTES

July 13, 2016 2nd Wednesday of each month Town Hall Annex <u>6:30 PM</u>

Mission: The Ridgefield Prevention Council supports a safe and healthy environment for all of Ridgefield's families through awareness, education and positive alternatives to alcohol and other substance use and to reduce high-risk youth behaviors.

Attendees: Paul Lucaszewski, Tracey O'Connor, Tim Hastings, Karen Facini, Margaret Stamatis, Alan Eskenazi Guest: Jake Madeson (former member)

- Welcome and Call to Order
- Approval of June 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Update

• Project Initiatives

- Upcoming:
 - Fall Carnival Sept 23 25
 - Karen reached out to Stop & Shop
 - Tim reached out to B&GC they are committed
 - Tizzie handling vendor negotiations to reduce expenses
 - Karen to discuss with NCL baked goods to sell
 - Split revenue with B&GC this year
 - Music RMAC
 - Paul contact Rec Center
 - In town event SummerFest tabling (\$100) July 23
 - Need to supply our own table, cloths... donation jar ("want to prevent support this event. Don't delay, donate today!"), sign up sheet for emails cards
 - Who will be there? Alan only until 2:00
- Late fall event update on the Playhouse outreach (Karen)
 - target: at RHS and in evening
 - Still investigating
 - Koren Zailckas "Smashed: Story of a Drunken Girlhood" book
 - Nick and David Scheff
 - Ray Lucas

• Texting message? – is there a speaker

Other Initiatives/ Committee Reports

- RCCASA (Margaret for Laura)
 - Youth Commission youth activities tab on website
 - <u>http://ridgefieldyouthcommission.org/</u>
 - Provide her dates for RCCASA Burbio Calendar
 - Cohesive design for RCCASA materials should RPC also create
 - Town wide family connect campaign meeting Thursday at 1:00
 - Survey feedback people's perception of substance use issue
 - Coalition Coordinator newsletter feedback on content and who might like to receive it
 - SAMHSA grant of \$500 received must have focus on underage drinking and be complete by end of year 2016
 - Haze Greenwich boy with binge drinking (Silver Hill owns it) – 36 minute version (and tie in with panel) – secondary event
- o Boys & Girls Club (Tim)
 - Teen Nights –financial support planning for fall
- Social Media campaign -
 - How it's done is important videos, instagram
 - Facebook RPC page is great, perhaps need more local information and/or discussion to engage our audience
 - Paul to reach out to John Bucca (who did website) re: social media
- o Outreach/Marketing/Collateral
 - See above
- Bullying movie
 - Tracey and Karen talking to Prospector and Superintendent (Jan/Feb)
- Grant committee (Paul)
 - Fairfield County Community Foundation
 - Savings Bank of Danbury
- HVCASA updates (Kathy)

• Old/New Business

- Dates to be aware of next fall
 - July 23 Summerfest 10:00-4:00
 - Sept/Oct Search Institute survey (RPS lead) at MS and HS
 - Sept 23 25 Carnival (RPC and B&GC)
 - Oct 18 January– How to Raise an Adult (Resilience) proposed
 - Nov 18 Harlem Wizards (REF)
- Other
 - Next Meeting August 10, 2016

