



Ridgefield Prevention Council

MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2017

3rd Wednesday of each month

Town Hall Annex 7:00 – 8:30 PM

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:

Members: Paul Lukaszewski, Karen Facini, Carolyn Knupp, Tizzie Mantione, LouAnn Duprato

Guests: Laura Cleary, Ellen Brezovsky, Aaron Crook

- **March 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes approved.**
- **Treasurer's report:**
- **Old/New Business**
 - Tabled discussion:
 - Strategic Plan 2017
 - Roles/Responsibilities needed to fill
 - Volunteer Coordinator rep
 - Monitor Ridgefield06877@gmail.com mailbox (mailchimp response)
 - Possible intern?
 - Haze movie –May 10 - St Stephens
 - Panel
 - RPC Scholarship – important dates
 - April 23 midnight due – Margaret to forward blind applications to members
 - May 3 decision due to Margaret who will communicate to RHS
 - May 25 – Senior Awards night – Karen F to present scholarship
 - Other:
 - Distracted driving program: high, drunk, text
 - Heat (Aaron Crook): collaboration of DEA, FBI and CT Police
 - “Chasing the Dragon” movie
 - Discussion re: Survey to parents; Survey to youth
 - Underage drinking campaign in Darien: Ourdarien.com
- **Other Initiatives/ Committee Reports**
 - Grant Committee
 - Applied for Lewis Grant Fund and Rotary grant
 - Social Media Committee
 - social media posting calendar – regular consistent posting
 - 10-15/week – each members should gather 2-5 items/week to ask LouAnn or Alan to post

- Hootsuite as possibility for posting to FB, twitter, Instagram
 - Motion to allocate \$900/year to social media budget. Approved
- RCCASA / Coalition Coordinator updates
- Marketing and Outreach
 - Ridgefield Press articles –shared with attendees
 - Mailchimp account for friends of RPC – prevention06877@gmail.com
- School Outreach
 - SRMS 8th grade program – April 24
 - Mock car crash not being held at RHS
- Event: Carnival
 - Virtual goggles at booth – simulate drunk and under the influence
- Upcoming events
 - May 2 – Generation Found – Playhouse 7:00-9:00
 - May 10 – Haze movie – St. Stephens
 - May 30 – Alicia Ferrell
- **Other**
 - **Next Meeting – May 17 at 7:00 (note new date and times)**



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