

Ridgefield Prevention Council Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2023 at 7:00pm

Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street

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

"Ridgefield Prevention Council meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility."

Attendance: Kim Carone, Carol Ann Sganga, LouAnn Daprato, Siera Fregosi, Bhargavi Ramamurthy, Karen Facini, Brian Nash, Sean McAvoy, Amy Nash

Call to Order @ 7:00pm

Approval of Minutes: January minutes to be approved

Treasurer report: \$16,959.11.

Reports/Discussion:

- Survey
 - We finalized all the questions and we will be sending them to the group for final approval. Survey will be sent out before the end of the month. We will be contacting Rudy to have the survey sent via the text system.
- WCT Grant
 - We're on target with only the survey pending.
- SOR Grant
 - We were approved. Will need to finalize the details of when we will begin planning events.
- Prom Ad
 - Siera will be posting on social media accounts.
- Graduation Ad
 - We will be using the post card we sent to families last year via social media this year.
- Summer events
 - We will not be attending as most families are away during the summer.
- Family University (October)
 - We will be going back to Liz with some changes/ideas/suggestions to plan the event. Would like to have 1 keynote speaker at the beginning and then 3 breakout sessions based on our survey responses.
- RPC Roles & Expectations
 - Bylaws were handed out for all members to familiarize themselves with.
 - The role of Chair will be up next year if anyone is interested.
- Budget(s) for 2023-24
 - We will be creating budgets for all projects and events next year.
- Calendar for 2023-24
 - Our June meeting we will be finalizing the calendar for next year.

New Business:

- Amy Nash spoke about the Ridgefield High School Athletic Advisory Council and how they are looking to partner with RPC next year to provide programming for athletes. We would love to be involved and create some programs to be a partner (CPR/Narcotics training for athletes & Walk the Night were some suggestions). There is also a possibility to have a RPC banner at Tiger Hollow.
- We decided that once an email is sent looking for feedback, you will have 24 hours to respond (no response will be assumed to be agreement). Lou Ann created a text group to help expedite RPC communication.
- *Gizmo*- will arrange a read along at the library for little kids and donate/hand out some books.

Adjourned: 8:25pm.

Respectively submitted by Kim Carone