

**MINUTES OF THE
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE ON
DRUG ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM**

February 18, 2020

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The scheduled meeting of the Cranbury Township Municipal Alliance Committee was held on January 21, 2020 in the library meeting room, 23 North Main Street, in Cranbury Township at 3:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Lowery called the session to order at 3:36 PM and Kathy Warnebold acted as Secretary of the meeting.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J. S. A. 10:4-6) was provided on December 16, 2019, of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Kevin Lowery, Lt. Mike Owens, Krista Santoro, Dr. Susan Genco and Walter Wright and were in attendance, thus the Quorum requirement was met.

MINUTES

Chairman Lowery motioned to approve the January minutes with a correction on someone's last name. Motion to approve by Lt. Owens, seconded by Chairman Lowery. All in favor.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE

Jessica Chen

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

None presented. Jessica Chen asked about the possibility of switching out one of the school dances for a third Jamfest. Chairman Lowery explained that costs involved for an additional Jamfest would have to be considered as it is more costly than a dance. Dr. Genco suggested they could look at the possibility of replacing one dance with another Jamfest. She explained that it would depend on availability of resources. Dr. Genco asked Ms. Chen if there was a student survey going around on the topic, to which Ms. Chen replied no, but it was discussed among some of the students. Overall feeling is the students enjoy the Jamfest and how it is presented.

Chairman Lowery brought up the subject of financial sustainability. Liaison Evelyn Spann asked what cost difference is. Discussion ensued relating to added costs such as hiring Game Truck. They will need to see how the cost of that will impact the budget as Game Truck is a newer, added feature for the current Jamfests. Chairman Lowery stated there is a need to increase the budget for the Health and Wellness Fair. Dr. Genco pointed out that dances are manned by volunteers which has less impact on their finances.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Board Liaison, Evelyn Spann

POLICE REPORT

Lt. Owens reported a quiet month with no reportable incidents.

BUDGET

Secretary was asked if budget was approved for 2020 yet. She advised that the 2020 Budget will not be finalized until after the proposed budget is approved after a 2nd reading in March by the Committee. It then has to be published and made public for a period of twenty days for any public comment or feedback. Ms. Spann explained that final numbers are contingent on the needs of other areas. If Municipal Alliance needs additional funds, they can make a request for a particular line item. Chairman Lowery explained the basic costs of the Board will remain the same, however there may need to be some adjustments to one of the line items for next year. Ms. Spann suggested it be brought to the attention of the Administrator when the budget worksheets for 2021 are handed to the Secretaries and added to the worksheet.

As a Committee Member, Liaison, Evelyn Spann asked Chairman Lowery if he was anticipating a need to increase the budget and would he like to give her any suggested amounts. She would be more than happy to bring the request to the Township Committee's attention for discussion. She also wanted to mention that she sat on a Board in Princeton for vaping. She is happy for what Cranbury Municipal Alliance has done to prevent vaping in our school.

Dr. Genco asked the Student Rep, if she was in favor of possibly substituting one dance for an additional Jamfest. Ms. Chen just wants to make sure an additional Jamfest wouldn't take away money from other 8th grade programs.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Lowery introduced two new members; Mr. Walter Wright and Ms. Krista Santoro. Krista gave a brief overview of her position at the Cranbury School as a Student Counselor. She was happy to be on the Board and looks forward to making a positive impact. Chairman Lowery also introduced the new Board Liaison, Ms. Evelyn Spann. She is happy to be Liaison to the Board and stated she is here to be supportive and will help in anyway if needed.

ONGOING BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

Chairman Lowery asked if there were any further topics to discuss. Lt. Owens motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Genco. Meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify, that I am the duly appointed Secretary of the Cranbury Township Municipal Alliance Committee on Drug Abuse and Alcoholism and that this document, consisting of three pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting held on January 21, 2020

Kathy Warnebold

Kathy Warnebold, Secretary

Unapproved Minutes February 18, 2020

