

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

Oct 17, 2017

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The scheduled meeting of the Cranbury Township Municipal Alliance Committee was held on Oct 17, 2017, in the library meeting room, 23 North Main Street, in Cranbury Township at 3:30 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Lowery, Chairperson, called the session to order at 3:45PM and Susan Engelbert 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 Oct 12, 2017, of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting persona notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Kevin Lowery, Phyllis Smith, Dr. Susan Genco, Wayne Jordan, Kristine Donovan, Joann Charwin.

NON MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE

None

MINUTES

Phyliss made a motion to approve the June minutes and Susan Genco seconded.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

No student report

POLICE REPORT

A police report was not given.

BUDGET

Proposed 2018 Budget was presented to the committee and discussed. It was decided that the funds that were freed up by Kristine's in-house chat group would be applied to three areas: Student Education and outreach in the form of Teen Nights. Parent Programming in

the form of paid speakers, with priority given to Corner House to provide the speakers, and the Drug Free Fair, to reflect the true cost without pulling from other accounts, and potentially include additional entertainment. Adjustments were made, and the budget was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Orientation Picnic. Susan Engelbert reported that the picnic was successful and our sponsorship was appreciated.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 Schedule of Events. Schedule of events was presented and unanimously approved.

Drug Free Fair. Kevin will schedule committee meetings soon.

Red Ribbon Week. Joann discussed Red Ribbon Week which will go on as usual. Kevin wondered if there could be a tie in with the painting of a blue line down Main St to reinforce the original intention of Red Ribbon Week as support of law enforcement. Susan E will reach out to the township to get background on who sponsored the blue line last year.

Teen Night 2017/18. Phyllis is working to nail down details on a Lip Sync contest to potentially be held Dec 2nd at Teddy's. Kristine suggested the contestants could use the Musically app. There was discussion of how to ensure that the songs chosen were appropriate and didn't glamorize drug use or alcohol, etc.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Chat Groups. Mr Mykal has resumed boys' chat groups on a good faith basis, although there has been some delay in the formalization of the agreement due to the untimely passing of the director of curriculum at Children's Home. Kristine has presented her plan for in-house girls' chat groups which Dr. Genco has approved. Kevin requested that he receive a copy of that plan, and expressed that he would have preferred being notified of the decision to notify Corner House prior to their receiving notice. There was discussion of the fact that Camille Bloomberg at Corner House felt blindsided by our decision to terminate their counselor and complained to various parties. Phyllis stated that Camille now understands the decision but still needed to "vent." Phyllis suggested one way to maintain our relationship with Corner House would be to pay for books that would be given away as an incentive for attending their programs. Kevin also suggested that Corner House be given priority in provided a paid speaker for assemblies at Cranbury, and Phyllis replied that most of their assemblies in Princeton were panel discussions and thus not very portable, but agreed that we should make the offer.

New Members.

Kevin will reach out to the youth pastor of the Presbyterian Church and Susan E will reach out to the Presidents of the PTO to see if they could appoint a PTO/MA liason.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 4:30PM.

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 two pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting held on Oct 17, 2017.

Susan Engelbert, Secretary

Approved minutes
Dec 19, 2017