

Belchertown Opioid Awareness Task Force Meeting Minutes

Date: July 12, 2018 10:00 a.m.
 Present: Panto, J., Dion, L., Gramarossa, G., Lozier, N., Jenkins, N., Farry, M., Krol, J., Bodamer, C., Pacunas, K.
 Absent: Archible, A., Ducomb, P., Metcalf, J.



Topic	Discussion	Action	Person Responsible
Approval of Minutes			Unable to approve minutes as quorum not present
OLD BUSINESS:			
PSA for naloxone report out	Discussed limitations to getting music		Jill will recheck with individual about music and provide a deadline
Hidden in Plain Sight exhibit report out	Discussed barriers of printing. Room of presentation discussed and plan made for preparation. Neil has a lot of the "hidden" items.		Sub group will meet next week and will email the entire committee to inform them of what they are needed.
Wallet card for resources report out	Final suggestions and edits to be received from Cherry and Michele		Kim and Michele to finalize and have cards printed for Belchertown DART wallet card.
School training- recognizing drug use report out	Jason present but unaware of where they are in the process. Plan to reach out to Phyllis as she was the contact person.	Nov 6 th is the planned date for training	Nekr confirmed with Peter Buck and he is confirmed and will just need a reminder.
"Written Off" screening report out	Discussed when to show this and if Mark Wahlberg's "If Only" is a better option. September is recovery month.	Written Off has a fee and "If Only" is free for under 100 persons	Tabled for now- may show "Written Off" at a later time.
DART report out	As of today, there have been 10 substance related deaths in Belchertown. One person was not a Belchertown resident. Discussion had about secondary trauma/compassion fatigue and evidence based responses that could be incorporated in Belchertown for police/emergency personnel/dispatchers. Michele shared that there are now 10 cities/towns and 28 DART officers now.	Need for care of our first responders to assist in avoiding vicarious traumatization	Kim & Michele will continue to look at evidence based information about vicarious trauma and will share with the group. Gail- will share results of a phone meeting she has planned.
	Transportation is a significant barrier. Discussion was had about available		

	options. Gail shared that she will be having a phone meeting and will look into how monies can be used to support transportation.		
Sentinel column	Jill shared that she has a person in recovery that wants to write about his experience.	Plan to have regular monthly column again	Kevin will follow up with individuals that were scheduled to write for the column Jay- will follow up with Kim Dewey about article
NEW BUSINESS			
Community Night Out	Discussed what was currently being planned for the evening	Sub-group to continue to finalize details	Emails will be sent out about any last minute needs
Safe Shape exhibit	Discussion about mobile safe consumption site. The evening is "safety" focused and sponsored by Triad. Concerns about this exhibit "triggering" individuals. Exhibit is educational only and only available for the month of August.	Several members plan to visit exhibit in area city to learn more.	Will discuss again as hosting as its own event
Next PSA			Tabled until more members present
Vigil Outcome	Excellent response!		No action
Findings from youth assessment survey			Tabled
Reorganization of committee			Tabled until quorum present
Fall program for community gathering	Jill discussed idea to have community event of broad overview of drugs, drug use, identification, persons in recovery, law enforcement, what the DART program is, persons from area resources. Discussion to have a panel and pizza event.	Date to be planned. School is the best place. Plan is October 24th starting at 6pm for Narcan training. Plan is to show "If Only" and also have the Hidden in Plain Sight exhibit and experts present for debriefing. Plan to formally invite the Select board committee.	Jay- will arrange to confirm a room at Jabish.
For the good of the order			

NEXT MEETING: TBD

*Approved
Oct 17, 2018*