

Belchertown Opioid Awareness Task Force

Date: September 13, 2018 10:00 a.m.
 Present: G. Gramarossa, A. Archible, K. Pacunas, J. Krol, J. Panto, N. Jenkins, J. Metcalf, C. Latulippe
 Absent: C. Bodamer, K. Dion, P. Ducomb, N. Lozier



Topic	Discussion	Action	Person Responsible
Approval of Minutes		All outstanding minutes to be gathered and voted at October meeting	Jill will gather
OLD BUSINESS:			
PSA for naloxone report out	Narcan PSA shown	Comte really liked it. We will ask Lew to add a graphic explaining what Narcan is to put at the very beginning, for clarification and to "set the stage."	Jill to contact Lew with language
School training- recognizing drug use report out	Peter Buck is being confirmed for Nov 6.	J. Krol will confirm time with schools. Nehr will then firm up with Mr. Buck	J. Krol, Nehr
DART report out	Continued to next meeting		
Sentinel column	With Oct being breast cancer awareness month, it was suggested that the column discuss the legitimate uses of opioids/the demonization of fentanyl, and the barriers it can cause for those who truly need it.	Judy will do her best to complete a column on this. Jay will double check with Dr. Dewey.	J. Metcalf
Hidden in Plain Sight safety night	No discussion. Next meeting – how many Narcan kits were distributed?		
NEW BUSINESS			
Hidden in Plain Sight BHS	2 of 3 nights were presented. It was challenging to get parents to the exhibit, as their time was scheduled. Should be announced – parents only, with specific time set aside.	Pathfinder has invited the exhibit for their career night on Nov 28 at 5:30. Narcan training to be included, if possible. We also need to create a "talking points" document in order to facilitate hosting of the room by any or all.	Nehr & Carrie & Judy to attend Pathfinder. Jill will work on bullet points with Neil.
Next PSA	Prevention	Gail volunteered to draft data points as a start.	Gail
Findings from youth assessment survey	The issue of vaping was discussed.	Intent is to prioritize actions needed via results of the survey.	
Reorganization of committee	Tabled until OCT 10		
Fall program for community gathering	Trying for Oct 24, with school dept co-sponsorship, drug use recognition talk, panel of experts to take questions, brief prevention needs assessment from	Jill to contact Superintendent and School Comte Chair about sponsorship and sending notices home. J. Krol to check on overall school calendar. Nehr	Jill, Jay, Nehr

	QHSUA. Limit to about 1 ½ hours if possible.	to check Peter Buck's availability.	
SOAAR Event 9/8	Well received, and seemed to open conversation about the topic.	none	
For the good of the order	Reorganization & meeting minutes to be taken care of next month.		ALL

NEXT MEETING: Oct 10 (Wednesday)

*Approved
Oct. 17, 2018*