

Draft Minutes

09/21/2022

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
 - a. Attendants: Robin Kohler, Cassie Schend, Michelle Hill, Kim McTighe, Kimberly Manganella, Cynthia Zingler, Jasmynn Arel, Officer Allie Lawrence, Alyssa Gilbert, Alesia Frasco, Gloria Ray
3. Review of 08/17/22 minutes
 - a. Robin Kohler motioned to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Kim McTighe and approved by the Coalition.
4. Coalition Member Survey Results – Alyssa Gilbert
 - a. 14 coalition members completed the survey – good response rate
 - b. Increased community representation from youth, parents, and school compared to last year
 - c. Agreement of need for more diversity
5. Real Talk Updates
 - a. The first Real Talk meeting is September 29 at RHS
 - b. 20 students were emailed who expressed interest in participating
 - c. Cassie and Leah tabling at RHS on September 26 during lunch waves
6. Community Basketball Tournament
 - a. Last one held in 2019
 - b. Scheduled for Thursday, November 17th, right after school ends
 - c. Event to include snacks, t-shirts, pizza, prizes
 - i. Any ideas for prizes – please reach out
 - d. Prevention messages on hand-outs
7. Local Prevention Council Application – Michelle Hill
 - a. \$5,342 application

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- b. Will include 2 Drug Take-Back days – April and October, Tobacco Compliance Checks, Block Party Funds, Hidden in Plain Sight, Vaping Cessation Kits, Signs and Vaping Prevention Materials

8. Event Updates

- a. Narcan/QPR Training
 - i. Presented by John Lally from Today I Matter
 - ii. 10 people attended
- b. Lighting the Way: International Overdoses Awareness Day
 - i. First time event, low attendance
 - ii. Lined town green walkway with purple bags lit with a battery candle, displayed signs with community data, HVCC and Rivereast attended as resource providers
 - iii. Coalition encouraged to check it out on Instagram as it was a beautiful display.
 - iv. Considerations for next year would be having it as part of another event to increase attendance, change the date so it doesn't interfere with start of school
- c. Take Back Day
 - i. Scheduled for October 29th, 10-2:00, Rockville Walgreens
 - ii. Leah working on promotional materials
- d. Open House at RHS
 - i. Table with giveaways and opportunity to engage parents
 - ii. Hidden in Plain Sight
- e. Parent Survey has received 510 responses

9. Other Announcements

- a. Vernon Community Conversations Part Two – Employment
 - i. Discuss issues related to Employment
 - ii. Thursday, September 29, check-in 3-3:30PM, Event 3:30-5PM
 - iii. 375 Hartford Turnpike Gym
 - iv. Free
- b. Strong Farm Scarecrow Contest
 - i. Coalition agreed to participate
 - ii. Trunk or Treat - October 27th at Henry Park