

MINUTES: 6/10/21 SPC LUNCH

12 - 1 PM

Public Health Conference Room and Online

Present:

Melinda Bobo, Coalition Chair, Priest-Rector, St. Andrew's Church

Aaron Preece, Coalition Vice-Chair, Counselor, High Country Behavioral Health

Robin Carnes, Nurse, Public Health

Tessa Miller, Prevention, SAFV Task Force

Emmy Daniels, Hope + Choice Mentoring

Matthew Daniels, My Satisfied Soul

Diana Watkins, Community member

Peggy Weber, Community member

Deputy Carol MacKenzie, TIPs trainer, Sheriff's Office

Robert Galbreath, Newspapers

Janna Lee, Nurse Manager, Public Health

Kelsi Sluyter, Therapist, Teton Behavior Therapy

Randy Belton, Veterans Organizations, Business, St. Andrew's Church

David Shaw, Principal, Skyline Academy

Trisha Scott, Coalition Coordinator

12:03 pm: Melinda called the meeting to order.

Motion to approve last month's minutes: Tessa Miller. Second to Motion: Aaron Preece.

Vote to approve minutes: YES: 4; NO: 0.

Melinda announced that annual leadership elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary will be held at next month's meeting. Melinda reported that anyone can run for the positions. This is a good opportunity for mentored and supported leadership experience. Past leaders are willing and standing by to help and guide.

Current Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary are all willing to continue to serve, if necessary.

Definitions of leadership roles are in the by-laws, please contact Trisha if you need a copy of the by-laws.

Skyline Principal Mr. Shaw gave a brief presentation on the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education grant. Grant funds are available in Sublette for all students who do not have a fixed residence.

Mr. Shaw emphasized that it is important to train the community to help identify students who would benefit from this assistance. Mr. Shaw noted that it is easier to identify families with needs than it is to identify students who may have left home and are "couch surfing" or living in a motel and need assistance and support. Families or students without running water, electricity, heat, food, or families living with multiple families in one dwelling could qualify for assistance. The goal of the program is to remove barriers to learning associated with homelessness, to keep seniors on track for graduation, and to offer support by waiving fees for lunches, sports, transportation.

For more information call SCSD#1, email Mr. Shaw, or visit the Wyo Dept of Education website:

<https://edu.wyoming.gov/for-district-leadership/federal-programs/homeless-ed/mckinney-vento-s-ubgrant/>

Mr. Shaw will share this powerpoint with the coalition.

Alcohol Task Force, Co-Chair Robin Carnes reporting: The Town of Pinedale Clerk Maureen Rudnick requested feedback from the Alcohol Task Force on revisions to the permit application for selling alcohol at special events specifically on mandating TIPS training for this year's events. The task force discussed and made the recommendation to the Mayor and the Town Clerk that they hold off on mandating TIPS training overnight for this summer's events season. They recommended a start date of 6 to 12 months out to allow business owners time to get their servers trained. The coalition will also need time to recruit new trainers to meet the increased demand. Robin referred to this as a "soft rollout". Trisha reported that as of this moment, the Town is suggesting a compromise of expecting 1 per 4 servers be TIPS certified. There is some confusion on whether that is per vendor or per event.

Concerns were also stated about the questionnaire, specifically about the questions about minors and about wristbands. Robin said that the Sheriff recommended community input at the next council meeting. Robert reported the next council meeting is Monday June 14.

Deputy Carol MacKenzie, TIPS trainer from the Sheriff's Office gave a brief presentation on what TIPS does, and reported that the 5 hour class is dynamic and interactive, using server's experiences and stories. Deputy MacKenzie reported on the May 24 training at the Waterhole, and reminded those present that there are 2 classes scheduled for next Wednesday the 16th. 30 - 40 servers can be trained on June 16. Deputy MacKenzie reported that anyone can take TIPS, they do not have to be servers.

Melinda encouraged everyone in the coalition to take TIPS training.

Brief discussion on changing the name of the Alcohol Task Force to Impaired Driving. The intention is to shift the perception away from being the "prohibition/morality police" to promoting what we really do: we promote public safety and health through TIPS and information and education on moderate drinking vs binge drinking.

Aaron suggested: Alcohol Abuse and Impaired Driving Task Force. Melinda requested that in the interest of time this topic be considered over the next month and requested members think about the name and perception change in the interim between meetings.

Suicide Prevention Task Force: Matthew and Aaron reporting: Matthew reported QPR Gatekeeper trainers will train 130 Sublette School District staff in QPR on August 30 and 31 for school staff professional development. The schedule has been set with the school.

Refresher for all trainers is scheduled for Aug 16, 9 am.

Trainers signed up: Bill Lehr, Mardy Sleight, Melinda Bobo, Randy Belton, Matthew Daniels, Trisha; Trisha is reaching out to Cassie Crumpton and Jen Wilkinson to request they teach.

Matthew reminded members that our stated goal is to train 10% of the county by June 2022.

Training the school will get us to approx 600+ trained.

VFW kickoff for the Boulder Roll Poker Run is this Saturday at 10:30. Task force members and school staff (Randy, Melinda, Trisha, Matthew, Jen Wilkinson, Carolyn Normington, Erik Makelky) will attend the start of the Roll to thank the riders for their contributions to the

Community MH fund. They will also request that the Boulder Roll consider expanding the support to all residents regardless of age.

Aaron: Upcoming July parades:

Aaron noted: The July parades are an opportunity for all task forces in the coalition to be visible and to educate on what we do, specifically, we can: Promote the community MH fund, QPR classes, quit tobacco classes, and alternative activities for youth like the 4-H bike repair class.

Big Piney: July 4 at 12 noon. Bill Lehr and Mardy Sleight are organizing and recruiting participants. Robin will bring horses. We need a minimum of 8. Deadline for signup is June 28.
Pinedale Rendezvous: July 10 at 10 am. Minimum of 8 needed to participate. Contact Trisha to sign up, deadline for sign up is July 7. Contact Trisha.

Candlelight Walks for Suicide Prevention Awareness Month scheduled:

Big Piney: Weds Sept. 8, 6PM

Pinedale: Weds Sept. 22, 6PM.

Community Reports:

Diana Watkins supported continuing suicide prevention training for all community, especially First Responders.

Tessa Miller and Melinda Bobo: SAFV is helping people apply for emergency rent assistance, the assistance applies to the past 12 months and for 3 more months. Assistance will pay for utilities as well as rent. Call SAFV office to make an appointment for help filling out the forms or walk in between 5 - 6 PM. 39 people applied for funds this past week.

Melinda: Both St. Andrew's and St. Hubert's churches have grant funds for financial assistance for anyone in the county experiencing covid related stress.

Tessa: SAFV is offering "The Power of Breath, a Stress Relief Clinic with Tillie Dibben.

Wednesday June 23

BOCES Board Room

Appropriate for all ages and all fitness levels.

FREE.

Next SPC meeting July 8.

1:06: Adjourn meeting.

