

CSHE General Meeting **MINUTES_DRAFT**
 Friday, November 17, 2017 from 11:30-1:00
 Renz Center • Two American Way, Elgin, IL

11:30: Gil Feliciano calls to order.

Self-Introductions were done by all attendees. In attendance, we had the following individuals:

Keith Goins-Faith-based	Sean Rafferty-Enforcement
Leigha Griswold-Healthcare	Eric Echevarria-Enforcement
Ana Lalley-Enforcement	Ethan Hayward-Youth
Kiesha Williams-School	Lindsay Warren-Youth
Patricia Williams-Parent	Chris Hayward-Parent
James Nicklen-staff/consultant	Mark Whaley-Enforcement
Tracy Johnson-staff/consultant	Lark Syrris-Healthcare
Gil Feliciano-staff/consultant	David Lesko-Enforcement
Jessica Reed-staff/consultant	Jack Wheatley-Faith-based
Ricardo Gasca-staff/consultant	Adam Schuessler-Enforcement
Bob Whitt-Faith-based	Marian Oyewande-staff/consultant
Aurora Valencia-Other	Rudy Fausto-staff/consultant
Norma Colin-Civic	

11:38: DFC Grant Financial Report

- It was discussed that the coalition has about \$18,000 to use for activities in the community for substance abuse, although CSHE can cover other factors.
- The website was discussed as a place where meeting agendas, minutes, and other information, including financial information, will be available to members and the community.

11:40: Brainstorming Discussion

- Ideas were discussed regarding potential activities that the coalition could be involved in. Ideas included: 10-15 minute videos on YouTube regarding substance abuse, identifying at-risk students in the classroom (especially with depression and suicide), teacher training, Narcan training, and possibly using the app Kahoot, gang presentations, town hall meetings, soccer tournaments, motivational speakers, use of high school volunteers, sports competition, private schools outreach, Hispanic parents outreach, collaboration with Dream Academy, parent networking including Literacy Connection via the YWCA, U-46 parent groups, a teen hangout location, job offering opportunities and home and charter school outreach.
- The coalition brainstormed places to target in the community included talks to private schools, involvement with the Dream Academy, involving Hispanic parents in the

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community, including the YWCA and literacy classes, home school groups, and considering classes in U46 that require community service.

12:04: Recruitment

- Gil Feliciano gave an update on the 12 sectors and asked that coalition members keep others in the community in mind to add more layers to the coalition.

12:06: Survey results

- Gil Feliciano reported that no one had completed the survey. Several members requested the link for the survey again because they hadn't seen the email.

12:07: Projects

- Take Back initiative
 - The National Guard has twelve old mailboxes to be used as drug take back boxes, which are painted white. They are giving one to CSHE. Safety measures regarding keeping the box monitored and locked were discussed. EPD shared their experience and process for collecting medication. Walgreens was discussed as a potential location to host the box. EPD discussed how having mobile drop offs, such as one at Del Webb, where an officer can be present to monitor the drop off, have worked well in the past.
- EPD Open House
 - Members of the coalition are encouraged to go to the open house to support the community.
- Alternative Night Out
 - Based on ideas from past meetings, an alternative night out is being planned at Imago in downtown Elgin. Coalition members discussed the safety of Elgin youth, including a check in/out system involving school IDs, having RSVPs, having positive messages throughout the night, and having security. The planning group has been meeting to prepare for the event, is open to all members and will be meeting immediately after today's meeting. EPD said they could have patrol officers stop by the event on a rotating basis.
- Strategic Planning retreat
 - This is on-hold until more new data is collected. Walcamp was brought up as a potential location to hold the retreat in the future.
- Opioid Prevention Education-mid-week
 - Community training is available from Renz Center for Narcan (overdose prevention). The idea was brought up about providing trainings these trainings around the community in Spanish and English.
- National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week

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- Ideas were brought up regarding collaborating with the library and Studio 270 to have teenagers show off their talents in poetry, music, etc. and spread the news. This will be brought up again at a later meeting.

12:43: Open Floor

- Ideas were tossed around with finding speakers to come to an alternative night out, including Chance the Rapper, to have a 10-15 minute “pep talk” during the night.
- Coalition members discussed using teens at the library to help with the campaigns.
- Coalition members discussed having some sort of “teen café” where teens can go after school to hang out and stay out of trouble. Members discussed having a place where they can sell handmade items and learn about jobs.
- It was discussed how a good marketing tool is to have 7 different ways to share the message, which is something to keep in mind at different CSHE events, including posters, give-aways, etc.

1:00: Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be December 15, 2017 from 11:30-1:00pm.

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