

Navajo County Coalition Against Drug Abuse

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- EDUCATE the Community on the drug & methamphetamine crisis
- REHABILITATE those who have fallen into the addiction
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Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 5, 2007, 9-11:30 am—Show Low Library

1. Lisa Salazar—Director, United Way: introduced the opportunity for the Coalition to become a member agency to partake of community donations. Steering members agreed to submit a letter of intent. The Coalition will have access additionally to grant opportunities from United Way and Just Grants America, and be eligible for funds from local, state and federal United Way Campaigns. Funding can help sustain the Coalition against uncertain future state funding. First United Way funds could be available July 1.
 - Lisa asked Coalition to locate 5 needy children to accept bicycle donations from Frontier. Follow up was made by Debe and Kirk to identify children. Award should be made Wednesday.
2. Programs update
 - Young Marines, Nov 16—45 participants
 - Joseph City Schools, Grades 6-12, Nov 19—275
 - Meth Awareness Week, Nov 26-30, JP courts—90
 - Headstart Holbrook, Dec 5, Michelle Edwards manned booth—40
 - Show Low Headstart, Dec 20, service agency fair
 - Winslow High School, Jan 22
 - (FYI our inmate speaker Shanna Hughes has been sent to DOC probably until May when she may be released. She can no longer participate as an inmate speaker but wishes to continue after she is released. Nora Isaacs is preparing a new inmate speaker for your panels.)
3. Reports from subcommittee chairpersons
 - Alcohol Mapping Grant—Mary Jeanne Munroe: \$15,000 state grant to determine proximity of alcohol retailers to locations where youth congregate. 5 high schools: Blue Ridge, Snowflake, Holbrook, Pinon, Winslow. Completion Jan. 31.
 - MLK Grant—will be award Dec 14—need committee chairs from Coalition to get started; \$8,000 grant for 4 community events aimed at alleviating poverty & discrimination, encouraging volunteerism & community interaction, incorporating juvenile probationers.
 - Drug & Alcohol Free New Years Eve promotion with White Mountain Radio (Barbara Bruce) will kick off raffle ticket sales for \$7,000 electric cart, with proceeds to benefit the Coalition. 150 tickets available free for event at old Show Low Jr Hi Cafeteria with DJ, burger cart by Cellular One, free soft drinks, movies, video games, dancing—family evening. First tickets will be offered to Coalition members. Tickets on first come first serve basis. Coalition members may be asked to assist with event. Barbara suggests a Spring Rally, possibly at kids park, for “Take Back Our Community”.
4. Coordinator’s Report Debe Campbell
 - Friends Directorship was offered to Janet Lasonder, who declined at this time. Stephanie Irwin, CPA, has volunteered to handle accounting and IRS filings for Friends
 - Friends & Coalition Budgets attached
 - Web site – Debe to work on over December, hope to launch January
 - Hotline—Debe met with Dr Wildemann at CCC to partner on their hotline. He seems agreeable and will follow up with management. Problem is for now there are 3 numbers for Show Low, Holbrook and Winslow. They look to imminently develop an 800 number that will make matters easier. During the day, goes direct thru CCC. After hours, answering service directs it to national counselor program which then contacts local counselor on call.

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Addresses mental health and drug issues.

- Promotional—new items from Arizona Meth Project: dog tags & tattoos. Will circulate prices and recommendation to order promotional items for balance of funding year: bracelets, buttons, dog tags, tattoos.
5. Planning Meeting
- Expanding steering committee/establishing Friends of Coalition Board
 - i. Suggestions for steering: Business Community—GM from Lowes, Val Muzzcco of University of Phoenix, Abbie Crozier of Cellular One (too busy); Law Enforcement—Bud Miltenberger has agreed, Faith-based: Michael Brooks of Unity Church is interested. Sports & Recreation: Chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board (who is this person); Medical/Dental: Dr Erin McClain or Dr Omuria are recommended. Financial: Stephanie Irwin, CPA; CCC: Dr. Windermann has agreed. Debe to follow up on contacts.
 - ii. Friends board nominees need to be big community names or ones that can help reel in the big fish \$\$-wise. Meeting quarterly so less commitment than steering. Janet Lasonder agrees to contact some potential donors. Bud Miltenberger suggested police chief on Friends board. Barbara agreed to follow up with Show Low chief.
 - 2008 Program continuation — school, corporate, fund raising, etc—we did not have time to explore this fully.
 - January—Mentoring month—Debe working with J Jayne and county to follow state executive order to allow employees 1 hour flex time weekly to mentor in their communities. Partner with school districts via counselors to partner volunteers with students. Extended cooperation to Big Brothers & Big Sisters which already has mentoring programs. Had call from Winslow school district about joining this mentoring program.
6. January Steering Committee meeting moved to January 9, 9-11 am at Show Low Library;
February Steering Committee meeting moved to February 13, 9-11 am at Show Low Library

Steering Committee

Dale Nielson
Margie Barton
Margie Brakefield
Barbara Bruce
Kirk Grugel

Arno Hall
Ande Hall Johnson
Pat Hollins
Nora Isaacs
Bud Miltenberger

Linda Morrow
Mary Jeanne Munroe
Elaine Sawyers
Chris Rodencal

Sub Committee Chairs

Communications, OPEN
Education, Linda Morrow, Mary Jeanne Munroe
Grants, Mary Jeanne Munroe
Fund Raising, OPEN
Law Enforcement, Bud Miltenberger, Margie Brakefield

Prevention, Treatment & Hotline, Arno Hall
Speaker's Bureau, Barbara Bruce
Support Groups, June Foard & Sandy Brimhall
Tribal Liaison, Margie Barton
Volunteers, OPEN
Youth Advisor, OPEN