

**Meeting Minutes April 7, 2010**  
**Navajo County Coalition Against Drug Abuse Steering Committee**

1. In attendance: Brock Bevell, Margie Brakefield, Debe Campbell, Greg Cardita, Carolyn Cannini, Woody Eldredge, Ron Everingham, Arno Hall, Nora Isaacs, Debbie Mistretta, Mary Jeanne Munroe, sylvia ORtiz, Alicia Phillips, Chris Rodencal, Nancy Stidham.
2. Guests remarks: Ron Everingham & Carolyn Cannini of The Kennel & Little Bluebird Studios—Apache Mission outreach has day teen center in Whiteriver for at risk youth with no parental involvement. Going strong with family impact for 8 years. Facilities include basketball, volleyball and billiards. Since one year, a t-shirt print shop has ben established to take real world business experience to teens.
3. Coordinator report:
  - a. State Parents Commission Grant application for \$120,000 declined
  - b. White Mountain Women’s Club Grant request to be announced in June
  - c. JLA funding request to MCAT awaiting notification
  - d. DFC application submitted for September notification
  - e. UAD t-shirt campaign launched. Entries due April 15.
  - f. WeTip bumper sticker campaign has placed ±1,000 stickers on law enforcement and county vehicles
  - g. Lenski Library grant for Hope School/Juvenile Detention will net more than 250 books for their library. Topics of recovery, self help & improvement, classics, prison life, abuse, recovery, and popular fiction.
4. Upcoming Programs
  - a. TBA in May: T-shirt contest awards and exhibition
  - b. May 22: DUI Prevention fair & bike rodeo, BRHS 9 am-noon, with PAAD
  - c. June 12: 2nd annual community health fair, Summit Regional
  - d. June 7-18: JLA BRUSD
  - e. July 5-15: JLA SLUSD
  - f. TBA: JLA Whiteriver
5. Medical Examiner’s drug related death statistics for Jan 1-Mar 31, 2010 Navajo County (non-rez), from Greg Cardita: Total deaths = 12
  - e. Alcohol related: ages 30-39=3; ages 50 & older=3
  - f. Drug related: ages 18-29=2; ages 30-39=4
  - g. on pace to be higher than 2009 by 12 deaths; still an increase in drug & alcohol related deaths; can not always determine if drug ODs are intentional or unintentional
  - h. ME outreach programs on the rise to schools and organizations. For presentation or information contact Greg Cardita at 928-241-1006 or Brock Bevell at 928-245-6805
  - i. Rosalva Zimmerman is interested to do Teen Maze for Show Low and Snowflake students next year.
  - j. ME Program is being presented to all Snowflake civics class seniors for 55 min.
6. Request from Paul Till to host a gold-buying fundraiser for Coalition was declined by committee vote.

7. PLAAD Update from Woody Eldridge & Alicia Phillips: April 1 Parent Power nite at BRHS. Approx. 40 attended with adults and students. 8 rotation presentation breakouts were held. Little Caesar supplied pizza, PLFD provided drinks.
8. Adult Drug Court Update, Margie Brakefield: 15 active participants and expanding. Many are Snowflake heroin addicts. Financial future of program is at risk.
9. Arno Hall reports juvenile probation has again applied for state grant funds to support coalition coordinator's salary & expenses. DOC inmate transfer for youth on hold, hopefully.
10. Nora Isaacs notes high recetivisim rate at jail remains high and is trying to set up after care contacts for AA.
11. JLA dates (above). Referral guidelines below.
12. Sylvia Ortiz, Community Bridges, noted 98% of service to native population, from Mohave to Whiteriver. Seeing more heroin use. Increased % of Navajo males. Encourages family involvement with addicts for successful treatment.
13. Nancy Stidham noted churches are tapped out of benevolence; need help with temporary housing and support for persons in recovery
14. Chris Rodenchal notes a lot of referrals from Summit Healthcare to Community Bridges. Since detox is not available, patients are being detoxed in emergency room. She is pushing for ER telemetry for psych services.
15. Next meeting: May 12, 9:30-11 am, Show Low Public Library

--attachment from item 11 above.

From: Junior Leadership Academy Staff  
Subject: Teacher Generated Recommendations

The Junior Leadership Academy is again taking teacher recommendation for students that teachers consider eligible for JLA. This program is designed to provide At Risk Students with tools and strategies to make good decisions and wise choices in their young everyday lives. JLA also provides strategies for the development of sound study skills and tools to enhance basic life skills. As teachers, who spend many classroom hours with students, you recognize those individuals that require additional academic and social awareness assistance. That being said, we value your observations and professionalism and feel your recommendations are of the highest caliber. The criteria used for eligibility is as follow;

\* Attendance problems

\* Social difficulties

\* Poor grades

\* Behavior

\* Home situations

Please forward any recommendations to this e-mail address and if you should have any questions, please feel free to call me at 368-2300 ext. 1126 or 367-7438.