



Van Buren County SAFE Coalition
January Meeting Minutes
Location: VBCH Community Services Center
Tuesday, January 19, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Meeting called to order by Melissa Daugherty at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Heidi Bainbridge – IPFS Supervisor, Kitty Bogle – Comprehensive Substance Abuse Prevention Agency, Gloria Brown – Other Organization, Julie Chapuis – Schools, Melissa Daugherty – Youth Serving Organization, Tonja Jirak – Parent, Ginger Knisley – Other Organization, Lee McIntosh – Law Enforcement, Lisa Plecker – Local Government, Kris Rankin – IPFS Coordinator, Kathy Saltzgaver – Military/Local Government, Sonja Shipley – Other Organization, Janine Vermazen – Other Organization

December Minutes approved by: Lee McIntosh **Second:** Tonja Jirak

Topic: Town Hall 2016

- Kris shared that the coalition had received notice from IDPH that the coalition can hold a Town Hall Meeting again this year and apply for funding for it through SAMHSA. The grant will be \$500. Kris let them know that the coalition would be interested in participating in the Town Halls and will apply for the grant when the application opens.
- Heidi encouraged everyone to begin thinking about what they would like the Town Hall to look like. The coalition has done a variety of things in the past for the Town Halls. They have been held every other year by the coalition. Two years ago the youth lead the event and spoke about underage drinking, marijuana and tobacco. After each presentation they had round table discussions about the substance that was being addressed. Other years there was a panel of experts with a Q&A time; there was a year with a community celebration that recognized the work of the Sheriff's Department and the YLC Members; and there were years where the coalition brought in outside speakers as well. How the coalition runs it and spends the money will be up to the coalition within the guidelines provided by SAMHSA.

ACTION STEP: Apply for grant, Plan Town Hall, Hold Town Hall

By Whom: Coalition Staff & Members

By When: April 2016

Topic: Kognito Training Progress for Iowa Partnerships for Success

- Kris shared that she has been working with the Van Buren Community School District to implement this training with all of their staff. Julie Chapuis, VBHS Counselor, has taken all four of the trainings and has recommended that all teachers and uncertified staff take the Kognito Trainings for the appropriate age group. Kris has talked with Mary Dawn, VBCSD Curriculum Director, and the school district is looking to make it a mandatory part of their training starting in the fall of 2016.
- Kris explained that the Kognito Training is a suicide prevention online training developed by IDPH for people who work with youth on a regular basis. This includes teachers, uncertified school staff, faith based youth workers, 4-H volunteers, etc. The training includes scenarios for the youth worker to identify how to help a youth that is at risk for suicide. There are four modules – Elementary School, Middle School, High School and LGBTQ Populations for the youth workers to choose from. They would choose the age level they work with and then can also take the LGBTQ for more specific information for this population.
- Kris said she has also shared the information on the Kognito trainings with Jennifer Bathje, Van Buren County 4-H Coordinator, and she will be sharing it with her volunteers at an upcoming meeting.
- Kris asked that if the coalition members know of people working with youth who would be interested in taking this training to let her know so that the coalition can get the information on the training to them. There are fliers for reference on how to take the trainings and if the person does not work for the schools they can take it by utilizing the SAFE Coalition category that has been setup in the system for that purpose.
- Julie asked if there has been any contact with the faith based community for this training. Kris said that has not been accomplished yet. There was a discussion that there are now groups in Birmingham, Bonaparte, Stockport (Joni Worley), Milton (Jayne Wells). Kris asked that people send her contacts for the groups and she will contact them about the training.
- Heidi asked if there is an adult or young adult components that might be coming. She said that would be good for organizations like Parents as Teachers.

ACTION STEP: Spread the word about the training to others

By Whom: All Coalition Members

By When: As soon as possible

Topic: Merchant Visits

- Kitty shared that these went very well. The majority of alcohol merchants had received a visit from Kitty and Kris during the month of December. During the visits they shared information with each merchant about Sieda Community Action and the coalition, information on the Iowa Partnership for Success Grant (IPFS), an invitation to the coalition meetings to help with planning for the IPFS Project, and updated materials for their manager binders that they had received from the coalition during the STOP Grant Project. There are a handful of merchants that still need a visit. Some are only open on Saturday and later in the afternoon. Kris will be working to meet with all of the merchants by the end of March. Dollar General was not interested in the merchant alcohol trainings offered by the coalition at this time. Kris shared that the day they were at Dollar General they visited with a manager from another store and when the store does have a manager established she is planning on going back to talk to them about the services the coalition can offer to them. Kitty said she has not been able to get any other Dollar General to come to local merchant trainings. There was also an incident with a customer that was at a bar while Kitty and Kris were there to talk to the manager and they were very anti-coalition and vocalized that while they were there.

ACTION STEP: Complete visits with all merchants

By Whom: Kris

By When: March 31, 2016

Topic: City Council/Board of Supervisors Visits

- Heidi shared that during the month of January she and Kris have visited all of the city council meetings and the board of supervisors meeting to put the face of the coalition out there again. It has been a while since the coalition has had a representative attend the meetings and there were new people on the city councils that had never met the coalition staff and were unsure of what the coalition does or is doing. During the visits they shared with them what the DFC Grant had done for the community and that it was over; that the coalition now has the IPFS Grant and what is planning on doing with those funds in the community; and let them know about the merchant visits that had been going on and how those were going. They all went well and there was good support for the coalition in each of the meetings. Kris did receive questions in Farmington about the proposed strategies. At each meeting they did invite the members to attend coalition meetings and be a part of the planning and implementation for the IPFS Grant. Kitty mentioned that during the merchant meetings they had also made it clear to the merchants that the coalition wanted their input on the planning and implementation of the IPFS Project.

ACTION STEP: None

Topic: Possible Interviews/Listening Sessions with Young Adults/High School Students

- Kris shared that the evaluator had developed the list of questions in everyone's meeting packets to hold some more interviews and listening sessions with youth and young adults in the community to add to the data collected during the assessment phase of the IPFS Project. With the assessment phases being over the summer the coalition was not able to gather enough information from the youth in the community so it is looking to do more interviews/listening sessions with youth in the county. Some of these can be done during YLC Meetings and then the coalition staff are looking for coalition members who would be willing to do some individual interviews and some small group listening sessions. Anyone who is interested in helping with this project please contact Kris and she will supply you with the questions for the interviews/listening sessions. They can be done one on one, at youth meetings (church youth group, 4-H, Scouts, etc.), or in a relaxed setting with a group of youth/young adults. Heidi mentioned utilizing the bus time the kids have for the off campus classes – that is a nice captive audience. It might not work for this specific project, but possibly for something else. Melissa suggested having another young adult post the questions on Facebook/Snap Chat for their peers to answer. She saw someone do that yesterday and they had what they needed in an hour. Need questions that include age and county of residence. Heidi suggested asking the Kognito contacts to do this as well (4-H and Faith Based Youth Groups). Heidi also recommended checking into doing it during the 4-H Lock-in. Kitty said she would talk to their counselor and see if it is something he might be able to do with youth/young adults that he is meeting with. Heidi suggested checking with Tom Walkup too.

ACTION STEP: Volunteer to do the interviews/listening sessions and then do them

By Whom: All Coalition Members

By When: June 2016

Topic: Review Logic Models with Strategies and Work on Action Plans for the Iowa Partnerships for Success Grant

- Heidi shared that the coalition members are going to do some work today. Kris passed out packets with logic models, strategies chosen at the last meeting and information on action planning. Heidi reviewed the work that had been done so far to develop the logic models, select strategies and begin to make action plans for each strategy. Heidi then reviewed the logic models with the whole group. Then the group broke up into three small groups to develop the action plans for each strategy that the coalition has chosen other than the individual strategy (Alcohol use restrictions at community events, alcohol use restrictions in public places, and social host liability). They worked in the groups for a half an hour developing the action plans.

- Notes from each group can be found on each of the individual worksheets provided by the coalition staff at the meeting.

ACTION STEP: Complete the Planning Deliverables and submit them to IDPH with the information from the work time

By Whom: Kris

By When: February 12, 2016

Topic: YLC Update

- Melissa shared that the YLC Members are working on Kick Butts Day Activities. Possibly some of the YLC Members will be at next month's meeting.

ACTION STEP: None

Topic: Community Health Needs Assessment

- Melissa shared that the Van Buren County Hospital and Van Buren County Public Health Department have been working on this together and it is just about done. The action plans should be finalized in the next week. Heidi asked if Melissa would share those results with the coalition as some of the work the coalition does impacts the goals that are in the Community Health Needs Assessment.

ACTION STEP: Complete the assessment and submit it

By Whom: Van Buren County Hospital & Public Health

Topic: Other Business

- Ginger shared that there is a bill that has been introduced at the state level to raise the age for tobacco to 21. It is Senate File 2016.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Van Buren County Hospital Community Services Center Conference Room.

Meeting Adjourned: At 10:00 a.m.

*Meeting minutes are only a summary of the meeting. For a recording of the full dialogue of the meeting you may contact the coalition office.