

FTMAPSA & YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION

Wednesday, 4/26/17, 4:30pm Community/Senior Center
Minutes

Attendance: Dan Reeve, Officer Dawn Flanders, Doris Robinson (FYPEP), Dan Glicklich, Roz Sherman, Bruce Medley, Saffie Kallon, Jason Marchitto, Valerie Northey, Alice Osipowitz, Tanja Paris, Katelynn Patronick, Stacy Hale, Kathryn Shaner

Youth Services Commission

- Katelynn Patronick:
 - Trans 101 presentation is on 5/12 – handed out flyers to those interested
 - No news of the budget being passed but will update as soon as it does
 - Received the 2nd quarter report
- Youth Council:
 - Took 24 provisional members, accepted 16, other 8 have the option to appeal – so far 1 is appealing and 1 wrote in to see why they did not get accepted
 - Commendation from Mayor for NJRPA Award
 - Working on 3 PSAs; upcoming programs: Teen Fit, Stuffed with Love, and environmental project
- Old/New Business:
 - Will be moving forward with the feasibility study for the youth center, which will be located where the SCAP building had been – Contract approved at the Township Council meeting on 4/25 – Will extend the project through October/November so that a survey can be done when students are in school

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Youth/Teen Committee

- Student survey:
 - Is to be administered next week – Jason or Stacy will follow up on permission slips approval
 - Will use computers in events lobby during PE classes to administer the survey
 - Requires parent consent
 - Offering extra credit for PE
- Positive Social Norms Campaign:
 - The Survey will be linked to the social norms campaign – will use survey data and develop positive social norms messages
- PBIS:
 - Poster contest is coming to an end – 3 returned to Parks & Rec so far – FMS had several, they narrowed it down to 7 and interviewed them to discuss their poster – deemed pretty successful for the first project
 - Dawn: Alliance posters are filling empty stores in mall – check with Hamilton Business District, Bridgewater Mall, Police substation (Hamilton Street) to see if we can do something similar

- 20 GREAT students turned in posters
- Roz: art show – offered use of art show screens to put up posters in lobby but they need to be framed (or be able to be hung on a screen with holes)
- High-Ding in Plain Sight: found it to be worthwhile and engaging, but lacked active participation from other schools (unclear as to why) – consider having him back again (Red Ribbon Week), but have information available 1-2 months in advance
 - Consider doing signs outside of town hall area
 - Banners (\$800 for street width) – can buy the banner that says Red Ribbon Week and then buy smaller banners to attach to it to switch event names and dates – also consider Somerset County Print Shop, but they won't span the entire street
 - Consider lawn signs to promote events
- Teen Summit:
 - 150 students attended; suggested moving it to earlier in the year so not competing with sports as much; about 50/50 FMS vs. FHS or just slightly more FHS
 - Too many mindfulness workshops
 - Interactive options should increase
- Parties, Proms & Pitfalls:
 - 5/10; email Stacy the outline for the lobby
 - World Language Clubs (1 ticket), Softball (1 ticket), Connections (1 ticket), STFL (1 ticket), Teen PEP (1 ticket), guidance counselor (1 ticket), FT Admin/Union (\$300 – 2 prom tickets, 2 year book signing tickets, field trip gift card), pedi & mani from Luxi, PBA (2 tickets), Amici's (willing)
 - Reached out to: Sports Clips, Frank's, Hand & Stone (Valerie to follow up), Stage House (Alice – Jason's student's dad is a manager there so he can follow up as well if needed); Hair Cuttery & Supercuts (Stacy has to follow up), follow up with L'Oréal
 - Eavan & Judge Rodriguez have been confirmed
 - Need volunteers – info table, photo booth, fatal vision, bags, lawn signs, raffle tickets to seniors, etc. – logistics support & interactive activities – volunteers should be there by 6, youth volunteers by 5:30
- PSAs:
 - 3 in progress – Saffie will review with Youth Council, wants to see all of them first, then Pinnix will come
 - 1: alternate reality – getting ready (split screen), start the same but make different choices at a party
 - 2: red cup/green cup – non-alcoholic out of green, red at a party; green eventually starts turning red as he continues to choose alcohol; follows him
 - 3:...to be determined
 - Could possibly play 2016 PSA's in between speakers @ PPP
 - Should play at least the prom one and/or the one with the kid driving and all of his passengers are drinking (don't have to be a drunk driver to get in

an accident) – maybe play them before the gift drawing – talk to Michael about this

- Pizza Box Campaign:
 - Bruce & Dr. Nelson are organizing – Bruce is supposed to go to Amici's (4/27) to get some date options; Dr. Nelson has the students; trying to get some young men from mentoring program also; dates are most important
 - Considering how to get bags & stickers to liquor stores – 1000 one/two bottle bags for \$20 – get these bags, put stickers on, and try to trade off with liquor store (if we give you these, will you give us some of your bags to use in the future?)
 - Cedar Grove liquor store has a lot of the posters up – start with them
 - Black fact card is the best one to put in the bag
- Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute (LMTI):
 - Reach out to them about chaperones needed or how other towns deal with the issue of having an advisor/facilitator if one is unavailable
 - Something for positive social norms campaign or youth council in the future
 - Main issue is finding someone to go with them

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Parent/Community Committee

- Eating Disorders: do next year since Mariel's dates don't work
- Mindfulness:
 - Who are we marketing to and who might come?
 - Social Emotional Learning, Mental Health 1st Aid – all tie together for next year's program, but see how the 1st session goes
 - Flyers through PBIS, elementary schools, interfaith council, charter & private schools, PTO (Elizabeth Ave PTSO president)
 - Suggest a 4'x4' sign
 - Offer professional development credits
- Newsletter: write/suggest something; upcoming workshops (look at these w/adult committee) because we usually miss these so would be useful to include now
- Mailing: about 200 finished 4/26; 2 responses from religious community already
- Lawn signs: need to be more aggressive

Other Announcements

- FYPEP:
 - Needs help with recruiting, life skills/speakers, and trips
 - 935 Hamilton Street location isn't ideal
 - Doris Robinson, 908.420.7098
 - Reach out to counselors, SGS & FMS – establish contacts and build rapport
- Dawn:
 - Everything's been successful w/GREAT program

- Applications for junior police academy – very popular – apps should be out next week for grades 7-10, July 10-14 – they take 30 max, free, get uniforms; kids are excited about it
- County police academy (Hillsborough) – HS only, take 60-70 county wide (10-12 usually from Franklin), more hands on – for students looking for police or military work
- Stacy:
 - Prom Dress Giveaway 5/3 & 5/4, 10:30-3:30 at FHS; Abena will be making mocktails; need soda; social norms is paying for other items; room is 90% together
 - 5/13: Project Graduation used clothing drive from 8-1 at SGS

Action Items:

- Check with Hamilton Business District, Bridgewater Mall, Police substation (Hamilton Street) to see if we can fill empty stores/storefronts with posters (Dawn)
- Check with Michael about the possibility of playing 1-2 PSAs during PPP (Alice)
- Get a list of PTSO presidents (Valerie)
- Make a 4'x4' sign for Mindfulness (Alice)