



Arlington Youth Health and Safety Coalition-October Minutes

Date: October 3, 2019

Time: 5:30-7 pm

Location: *Whittemore Robbins House*

Attendance: Karen Koretsky, Brian White, Kaeli Harney, Sarah Bott Lee, Joe Curro, John Scheft, Colleen Leger, Clndy Bouvier, Carlene Newell, SaCindy Curran

Minutes

Introductions

Minutes: Accept September 2019 meeting minutes, Joe motioned to approve, Sarah seconded, all approved the September 2019 meeting minutes.

Student Advisor Updates:

Students reflected on the Chris Herren presentation on October 1. It was very impactful.

Students at AHS and ACHS are mobilized and meeting to plan activities for the school year.

AHS students are gearing up for club day and hope to recruit new students.

Parent Updates:

Parents tabling at school events continues.

NTTY scheduled for November

We would like to recruit more parents.

Discussion about police log in the Advocate and reports of police breaking up groups of youth after dark.

Coalition Updates:

YRBS: Karen presented highlights from the 2019 YRBS results. There was some concern about the ages present for the survey. Cindy B will review and report back on the break down by grade of students. We talked about the results and content of the sexuality questions on the YRBS and noticed that consent is not asked about in the survey. This is a likely edit/addition for the future. Perhaps add resources for those who may have experienced sexual abuse or date rape. Investigate what other communities do.

John Scheft reported on the [Special Commission on Driving Under the Influence of Marijuana and Other Drugs](#). AAA adage: if you feel different you drive different. Top recommendations from a recent conference he attended:

- *There is no specified level of drugs that indicate impairment.*
- *Refusal to take a breathalyzer should mean license is revoked. period..08 is under the influence.*
- *DRE or Oral Fluids*
- *Blood draw shows recent use*

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A new product is being developed, i is a device worn on the head that shows blood activity in the brain to indicate recent substance use. App by Druid tests for impairment on cellphone.

California style DUI-any impairment must be on a public way.

34 states have a search warrant electronically, unfortunately we don't have this ability in MA. Implied consent-State will compensate and must do blood draw.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for November 7th, 2019