

HOWELL MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE, MEETING MINUTES

Taken by Christa Riddle, Alliance co-chair

MEETING: February 20, 2018, 12:30pm at town hall

January minutes approved by Camille Mussari, seconded by John Alliano

- K-8 Schools: LEAD is in full effect; New Hope Foundation peer speakers connected with students; provided vaping education for students and teachers; K-9 demonstration; Jeanna Ribon attended 2-8 state conference with Camille Mussari of Howell High School; Jeanna asked if Alliance could sponsor LEAD graduation give-aways for students (800 total) graduating from program, t-shirts or bags but shirts featuring middle school colors preferred, Jeanna will get price quotes
- High School: health class presentations for Information Week; vaping conference; \$750 for two students to attend ELKS annual peer leadership weekend conference; a lot going on; 4-25 vaping presentation as part of mandatory driving presentation at Colts Neck High School, details to be provided in next *Prevention Press*; Camille Mussari submitted proposal for Josh Drean (prevention speaker), \$3,500 and Jeanna Ribon of Howell Public Schools expressed interest in having him speak, too; Camille will see about discounted rate to K-8 and high school
- Police Department: police presence at all schools for morning and afternoon drop-offs/pickups; school safety is focus; 2 non-fatal overdoses at Walmart 2-18; 2 fatal overdoses in Howell in January; 5 search warrants issued so far this year
- *Prevention Press*: next issue: vaping 2-page feature, kids' brains and tech addiction, golf outing announcement, text-to-tip updates, congratulations to Howell High School wrestlers, RWJ-Barnabas Health: Roberta Rapisardi's Girls' Night Out 4-10/ Boys' Night Out 4-12 (per Christa Riddle)
- Fire Bureau: not in attendance
- Chamber of Commerce: nothing new to share
- Optimist Club: golf outing 4-30; Alliance is getting 150 Pot o' Gold tickets to sell and each member is receiving 4 tickets to sell; tickets are \$40 each and Alliance gets \$20 from each ticket sold; Alliance branding will still be on golf outing promotions and ad journal and Alliance members should come out to support event and volunteer to help
- RWJ-Barnabas Health: RWJ-Barnabas Health: Roberta Rapisardi's Girls' Night Out 4-10/ Boys' Night Out 4-12, details to be presented in next *Prevention Press*; Roberta submitted to Fran Schneider of finance committee paperwork for Alliance to fund event give-away baskets for \$500; to vote on it next meeting
- PAL: not in attendance
- Private Organizations: none in attendance

- Budgets/ Finance Committee (DEDR, township, and fundraised): monitoring fundraised account only; \$15, 667 in account after \$750 paid for Howell High School's 2 students attending ELKS annual peer leadership conference (need invoice); Mike Pavlick proposed the following as possible fundraised account initiatives: billboard(s), suggestions from members were vaping and driving while intoxicated on marijuana and text-to-tip reminder, \$3,500 per month approx. cost for larger, Mike will look into pricing, members should send him suggestions; John Alliano suggested ear-marking fundraised account funds by group or initiative based on percentages to allow for expense planning throughout year
- General Alliance Members: no comments
- General Notes: Mike Pavlick said no word yet on coordinator position details; may be part-time but should be full-time (demands benefits/pension plus union membership) due to responsibilities; considering possibly making it cooperative position with Howell Public Schools; members can let town council members know their feelings on the position and timeline for hiring

Youth Music/Art Festival: bands, art, any kind of creative pursuits (former Alliance coordinator Tracie Kritch's idea, presented by Mike Pavlick at this meeting); Jeanna Ribon presented idea to combine it with Howell Day and members were receptive to this; Mike Pavlick to connect with Steven Fecher to coordinate as part of Howell Day; members must help plan and execute event; Jeanna Ribon said to get word out ASAP through schools to allow enough time; this event will replace Hope for Howell fundraiser event last year

UPCOMING ALLIANCE EVENTS NEEDING VOLUNTEERS: 4-30 Golf Outing, youth music/art festival
Alliance fundraiser

FUTURE ALLIANCE PROJECTS: See notes under sections above regarding billboard, music/art festival

NEXT MEETING: March 20, 2018, 12:30pm at town hall

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