

**Rockaway Township Substance Abuse Alliance Meeting
April 19, 2018**

Attendees:

Leslie Wexler
Lisa Wexler
Todd Silverman
Erika Gerena
Mary McAloon

Lillian Wexler
Linda Wolk
Marty McParland
Michelle Johanson
Tara Maluszczak

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Les.

Minutes from previous meeting were read and approved by Todd, second by Lil.

Treasurers report reconciled.

Old Business - None

New Business

Website: Todd has kept everything up to date. Todd will remove any inactive committee members from our list.

Documentary: We have a few more people that need to be interviewed. We will tape the day of Celebrity Day in the classrooms as well as the rest of the day. We will have some of the celebrities interviewed for the documentary. Once the recording is completed, we will have John Bell come in and narrate the video. We are looking to get someone who has lost a child due to this disease.

Phase 2: Anthony Doran will be speaking to the 8th grade, April 27th, 2 different sessions in the morning. He is a veteran in recovery with a powerful story to tell. He will also be a part of the documentary.

Project Positive Choice: Phase 2, is Anthony Doran. Phase 3 is Project PRIDE on May 17 and phase 4 is Celebrity Day on May 31.

Celebrity Day: May 31, 2018 is the date. We have the celebrities in place, we just need to check with Geoffrey Owens to make sure he didn't get any parts in filming. We got word that we have a Wounded Warrior who has a wonderful story. We are working on honorees and having a bit of a tough time getting in touch with people. The second one we are still working on. As we always do, we will have dinner the night before Celebrity Day and go to Anthony's. We sent a letter to the President inviting him to our special day but haven't heard anything. We also sent an invitation to the former Governor of NJ, Chris Christie who is a huge advocate for substance abuse prevention.

Newsletter: Lisa and Kelly will be in touch about the newsletter to start sending it out.

New Grants: Todd applied for several grants. We unfortunately won't be receiving any money this year. We are going to look at what Todd has put together and possibly adjust the information since we have gotten denied a few times. We may reach out to someone who can help us apply for grants.

Tricky Tray: We will start planning this spring/summer for April of 2019. As the year goes on we will look at the calendar for 2019 to pick a date. We will talk to Mr. Gonnella about the CMS tricky tray to see if we can have their date a little further away than ours.

Public Session: N/A

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 7pm.