

**Rockaway Township Substance Abuse Alliance Meeting
August 18, 2022**

Attendees:

Leslie Wexler
Todd Silverman
Marty McParland

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Melissa Hanson
Manny Friedlander

Lisa Wexler
Tanya Shields
Gabe DiPietro

Meeting Called to order at 7:05 by Les.

Minutes approved by Lisa and second by Todd.

Treasurer's report reconciled.

Old Business – None

New Business

Website: Todd has been keeping the website up-to-date.

Les met with Alfonso, Brie and Brian about this upcoming school year. They were ready to put dates on the calendar to get the ball rolling.

Project Positive Choice for 2022-2023 School Year:

September 21: Kevin Wilkins will speak to the 6th grade

October 12: Colin O'Brien will speak to the 7th grade

November 3: Family Night – "A Night to Remember"

November 16: Kevin Wilkins will speak to the 8th grade as the 1st phase

January 4: Anthony Doran will speak to the 8th grade as the 2nd phase

May 5: Aimee Quinn will speak to the 8th grade as the 3rd phase

June 1: Celebrity Day

Family Night: We have planned for Thursday, November 3rd (7:00-8:30PM) to have a family night at Copeland. It is called "A Night To Remember". We will have Steven Antommarchi a police officer from Texas talk about how he is involved with the DEA and his K9 partner sniffing out the drugs coming over the border. Morris County K9 unit will also have a demonstration. As for speakers in recovery we will have Colin (back up being Aimee or Lindsay) and Dennis Fastiggi.

Celebrity Day: With this year being our 25th anniversary, we would like to celebrate in a big way. Usually we have our typical dinner the night before, but this year we want to bring back people who were a part of our program in the beginning. We are thinking about having the dinner & celebration at a hall in Rockaway Boro and having Anthony's cater the event.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 15, 2022 at the Copeland Middle School library.