## Rockaway Township Substance Abuse Alliance Meeting October 19, 2023

#### Attendees:

Leslie Wexler Todd Silverman Rachel Brookes Lillian Wexler Manny Friedlander Andy Forst Lisa Wexler Melissa Hanson Mary McAloon

Meeting Called to order at 7:03 by Les. Minutes approved by Lil and seconded by Todd.

Treasurer's report reconciled.

## <u>Old Business</u> – None

## New Business

**Website:** Todd has been keeping the website up to date. Lisa will send the update and explanations of the 4 phases.

Rachel Brookes will be reaching out to contacts of hers for corporate donations.

# Project Positive Choice for 2023-2024 School Year:.

**6<sup>th</sup> grade**: October 11, Waliyy Dixon's presentation was extremely well received. He had a very positive message and truly connected with the students. Multiple students came up to Les to tell him how inspirational and motivational the presentation was.

7<sup>th</sup> grade: November 15, Dennis Fastiggi will speak about his story of addiction.

8<sup>th</sup> grade: Phase 1: November 29, Colin O'Brien Phase 2: January 3, Anthony Doran Phases 3: May 10, Aimee Quinn Phases 4: May 30, Celebrity Day (dinner May 29)

In the spring, Dennis Fastiggi's gym will be hosting a fundraiser and we will be the recipient of the proceeds.

Bingo: Planning for 2024, end of October or early November

Rachel Brookes has a meeting with the new Superintendent of Morris Hills Regional District and will talk to him about our program and try and get presentations into the high schools.

## Meeting adjourned at 7:41. Next meeting: Thursday, November 16, 2023, Copeland Middle School