

## **Community Action for Safe Teens**

Minutes of June 20, 2012 8:30 am @ Milford High School

In attendance: Monica Gallant, Paula Troie, Eric Schelberg, Laurie Johnson, Renea Sparks

Minutes of May 10, 2012 approved and accepted.

The co-chair terms for Monica and Paula will expire on October 31<sup>st</sup> and these positions will need to be filled. Renea Sparks has advised that she would be willing to share the co-chair position.

Town Hall Youth Workshop update – Monica advised that feedback from participants indicated people were enthusiastic and appreciative of being invited and participating. The data received will be used in future planning.

Teen Survey Update – Renea advised Susan Taylor has requested that all surveys be entered by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Renea has the surveys from Souhegan – Monica and Paula will help to get those entered. Hollis Brookline was unable to participate in this survey.

Beyond Influence Update – Monica reported that Donna advised that NH Charitable Foundation will be committing 12 million dollars over 10 years to fund the work of the 10 regional networks. This is expected to include many of the strategies identified in Beyond Influence's strategic plan – good news for CAST!!

Legislative Update – Paula reported that SB286 Prescription Monitoring Plan has passed. JUS1600 – rule making bill HB71 explains the procedures for installation and utilization of dropboxes. Paula will send the procedures to Monica & Eric. Eric will reach out to the new Milford Police Chief and Monica will reach out to Brookline PD. New Futures Action Alert – call to action for people to contact their US Reps to support the prohibition of sale of synthetic drugs by including Portman/Schumer Amendment. Handout available – Monica will send handout in electronic format to CAST members.

Sticker Shock Campaign – Monica reported this campaign was very successful. Market Basket allowed the CAST team to go into the store and apply the stickers – everyone was very respectful and followed explicit instructions for adhering the stickers to the alcohol containers. Monica & Donna met with Sales Manager, Don Warner of Bellevance Beverage and he saw the stickers and complimented the way they were applied. Don will be providing CAST with banners, store signs and cooler stickers that have the “Thank You” message of the stickers and CAST logo.

Grants/Donations – Monica & Paula reported that \$1000 received from Amherst Jr. Women's Club and \$200 received from Hollis Women's Club – monies will be used for marketing materials and sign boards.

Strategic/Action Plan – we need to have a committee building session to re-define the strategic/action plan of CAST. This session scheduled for Wednesday – July 25<sup>th</sup> 8am @ Milford SAU.

Next DEA Takeback is scheduled for Sept 29. Safe Homes Campaign – Monica will be working on developing this over the summer – plan to host a breakfast for PTO's & PTSA's and school reps to share info on this campaign in the Fall 2012. Consigning for Good Program – does not look like a good fit for us right now. Website – current page expires June 2012 – Paula will talk to Lew AT BGCSV about new page. Laurie advised Milford High School has a print shop and that we may have access to their expertise; Meg Palmeri is the teacher and Laurie will invite her to a future meeting. MHA Grant – application is submitted – if received will be used for teen leadership training. Paula advised of Rotary 100 Holes of Golf Fundraising opportunity – more info to follow. Renea will send link on Safe Schools Grant Opportunities.

July meeting cancelled.

**NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, AUG 8th @ 8:30 AM – SAU OFFICE**