

MAYOR'S DRUG ABUSE TASK FORCE

October 14, 2010

Franklin Regional Hospital Conference

Attendees:

John Kontoes; Lynn Haskell; Bill Grimm; Melissa Rizzo; Chief Goldstein; Liz Lawrence; Patricia Prescott; Tyler Davis; Suzann Caldon; Jason Vezina; Joe Giunta; Ken Merrifield

The meeting convened at 6:00pm.

Elizabeth updated the group on:

The acceptance of the federal grant by the City Council, the hiring process for a coordinator being underway, and first steps in the Work Plan.

Pat Prescott introduced Tyler Davis and discussed efforts at FHS. She distributed minutes of the FHS PSA meeting earlier on Thursday.

Chief Goldstein talked about the Drug Take-Back event, which resulted in 40 lbs of discarded drugs retrieved by the Franklin PD. Chief Goldstein is looking at a 24-7 Take Back program for Franklin.

Melissa updated the group on the outreach magnets. There was a problem with quality, so there will be a slight delay in production.

The group discussed connecting with retailers, pharmacists, doctors.

Ken will contact Ron & Sophie for Nov. meeting? Some other pharmacists if need be.

Melissa and Bill will talk to Family Practice Providers at their monthly meeting.

Next month:

1. Coordinator introduction.
2. Ron or other Pharmacist
3. Report from FHS
4. Family Practice Providers report

Joe Giunta suggested having Lisa Remick from DEA as a future speaker.

Jason Vezina suggested a Parent Awareness Night: What to look for... what to do...