## Franklin Mayor's Drug Task Force Leadership Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, July 2, 2015 5:15pm – 7:00pm

## Present:

Name:	Sector:	Name:	Sector:
Sara Tracy	Business: DK Motel	Ken Merrifield	Mayor, City of Franklin
Elizabeth Dragon	City Manager, City of	Joe Giunta	Religious/Fraternal
	Franklin		Organization: Franklin Elks
Melissa Lee	Healthcare	Bob Lucas	Civic/Volunteer Group:
			Choose Franklin
Chief Goldstein	State, Local or Tribal	Angela Lynch	Coordinator
	Governmental Agency with		
	Expertise in the Field of		
	Substance Abuse		

**Angela** welcomed everyone to the meeting and passed around a sign in sheet. Some guests have joined us this meeting: Scott Burns and Alan Grill.

**Methodist Church-** Alan and Sara shared that currently they are hosting four AA groups in their church Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. The Pastor has a vision about the drug issue in Franklin. They are willing to host Al-anon group but don't have a lot of resources in the community. So what can we do? What is needed? How to help? People already feel safe and comfortable going there.

We can help spread awareness about events and meetings at Day Café. Thursday at 11:30 can invite City Officials to eat with everyone. We are also a part of prevention and invite them to be a faith-based sector representative to help inform us. There is also an idea to have Peter DalPra to potentially do some Rx Talks in their locations, just as has been done at the TRIP Center.

**Fundraising-** Scott Burns shared an opportunity that he is extended to the coalition in order to fundraise supplemental funds. He knows a comedian who's done work with Comedy Central who would be willing to donate his time to come do a comedy show fundraiser. Possibly sometime in September if we are able to coordinate that with a good and available date with school and community schedules. The team is excited about this opportunity and decided to move forward in planning. Thank you Scott!

**Sponsorship-** Scott also asked us about potentially being one of the community sponsors for the Franklin Art Car. This is a project where a renowned artist who creates art cars all over, would come and work with FHS students to design and apply their art design onto a donated vehicle. Scott said that they are hoping for a \$250 sponsorship from the coalition to support this project for the kids and in return our coalition logo and the FYI logo would be applied to the Art Car. They would need a decision and need funds by the end of August. The team

decided to wait on a decision, look into the possibility further and do a vote at a later date, possibly via email.

**FACT-** Angela will be away during the week of the FACT Camp 1 shows, so we are looking for team members to spear-head set-up and organization. Elizabeth volunteered for the 2pm show and Ken volunteered for the 7pm showing. Melissa volunteered to help set-up and be there for the 2pm showing as well. We will have the Environmental Scan display for the FACT performances.

**Coalition Meeting Dynamics-** There have been a lot of new people coming to our coalition meetings which is very exciting!! However, this has been posing some opportunities for growth with our materials and organization of our meetings. The team discussed having an open time scheduled in each agenda for coalition members to ask questions, share updates and to further discuss any agenda items that were paused in order to get through all agenda items in the allotted time. The team also decided to have some greeters/Ambassadors up in the community center lobby to greet those coming in, introduce or re-introduce themselves, learn about what brought the person to the meeting to gain context, give an explanation about who we are and what we do, why we are prevention based and what that means, the layout of our agenda, to give them some materials about us to look over before the meeting begins, and point the way to the meeting space. The idea to create a resource sheet was also shared and the group agreed that this would be very helpful, especially to help point the way to resources and connections that we may not have such as for those seeking treatment.

The team also talked about creating some meeting guidelines that the coalition could mutually agree upon that would reduce distracting actions such as side conversations. The team decided that this would be an activity for the coalition to do at next week's meeting; to create meeting guidelines. Melissa volunteered to facilitate this process since Angela will be away at the Dover Youth to Youth Summer Program with a group of students.

Search for Sector Representatives- The group discussed that there is a gap in the business sector. We haven't heard from our Watts Water contact, who was quite active, in some time and learned that he is no longer with Watts Water along with many of our contacts. Ken volunteered to reach out to Mike Mullavey, Jr. to inquire about what is going on and to possibly get in contact with their replacements.

Leadership Retreat Agenda- The theme for this year's Leadership Retreat is: Two Roads (1. we get the next round of grant funding, 2. We do not receive funding). We want this retreat to be a work session. To delve into our Action Plan. There will be some fun activities, a couple of short breaks and refreshments. We still need to pinpoint someone to facilitate the retreat. Maybe Traci or Katy Shea or Shannon Bresaw? We would like to have Traci participate rather than facilitate, ideally. If we'd need to pay for a facilitator, we need to look into what we would be able to budget for someone and possibly reach out to the UNH Coop. Extension to look into what they have to offer. Melissa will reach out to ask Shannon.

## Other-

• NCA Week 2 is over, week 3 is in August. Week 2 we learned primarily about selecting interventions, strategic and action planning and coalition evaluation.

## Meeting adjourned just after 7:00pm

Submitted by Angela Lynch