



September Meeting Minutes

Our Mission: Our mission is to foster drug free communities through outreach, education, and youth engagement while empowering young people to become the next generation of resilient leaders.

9/13/2023- 9am to 10am

- **Attendance:** Ashley Gedra, Mikayla Martin, Dana McPhaden, Jodie Altman, Kat Pappas, Ann Linder, Amanda Molnar, Kim Peck, Nicole Dayka, Christen Foley, Colleen Kumiega, Frank Scarpin, Julie Kumro, Kristen Syracuse, Amy Klube, Marie Davis, Amelia Greenan, Lindsay Bratek-Lorgo, Kali Supples
- **New Name New Look**
 - Website
 - Substancefreecoalition.com
 - Resources available for everyone.
 - Community members
 - Coalition members
 - Ideas to add:
 - Coalition member highlights every month?
 - Add links and information to go back to KED.
 - Vaping presentation information for parents and community members
 - Reach out to Meghan for any feedback/questions
- **Red Ribbon Week**
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 - Meghan has been meeting with some of the schools to present her ideas for activities
 - Theme days or spirit weeks
 - Art & Data Walk
 - October 23rd
 - Location: TBD
 - Currently going back and forth between Burchfield Nature vs. Soccer Park
 - “Be kind to your mind and live drug free” Art Competition for the community schools
 - Submit by October 18th
 - Figuring out more details regarding winners and how to get the families more involved

- **S3 Phase 2**
 - Youth Leadership Training Event
 - **November 18th 1-3:30pm @ Hilbert College**
 - Looking for 3-4 high school students (2 from OP and 2 from WS) to participate in this event
 - They will learn how to make effective and creative PSAs to help them create one on edibles for the phase 2 regarding Take It To The Box.
- **Community Movie Night**
 - Does not need to be a movie night, but wanting to brainstorm multiple ideas for events to get the community involved
 - Looking into separate events for the separate communities if needed
 - Movie Night, Health and Wellness Night, Family Game Night, Student Gym Takeover, etc.
 - Prizes for some of the nights, having cool theming, fun activities for all ages, but also allowing for access to resources and having agencies attend these events too if necessary
 - The coalition needs to try and have a steady presence throughout the school year to really stick with the proper involvement and making sure people remember the name

Up Coming Events:

Orchard Park 6th Grade Open House- 9/14

Orchard Park 7th Grade Open House- 9/17

Activity Night @ OP MS- TBA

Orchard Park 8th Grade Open House- 9/28

Hallo-West Seneca-Ween-10/13

If you are interested in any of these events, meetings or have any questions/comments, reach out to Meghan (mboarts@ked.org) for more information.

Next Meeting: TBA