



MONROE COMMUNITY COALITION MINUTES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Attendance: Wendi Burchill, Kara Dineen, Trish Gray, Michael Hanford, Chris Hendrickson, Timothy Jackson, Cherie Matyas; Amber Mehta, Tim Peterson

Guests: Jaime Beebe, EdCC Early Head Start; Randy Brown, Monroe Public Schools; Mostafa Ghous, Everett Community College; Jennifer Reid, Snohomish Health District; Deb Weiner, EdCC Early Head Start

Staff: Joe Neigel

Sectors of Support represented at this meeting: 9 (green = represented, white = not represented; **8 required**)

Youth	Parent	Law Enforcement
Civic/Volunteer Group	Business	Healthcare Professional
Media	School	Youth Serving Organization
Other Substance Abuse Org	Religious/Fraternal Organization	Local Government
Chemical Dependency Treatment	Mental Health	

○ **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 1PM by Cherie Matyas.

● **New Coalition Business**

○ **Provider Spotlight – Early Head Start Home Visiting Program**

Jaime Beebe and Deb Weiner from the Early Head Start Home Visiting Program talked about the availability of more than 20 additional openings for families in Monroe. The program provides families with collaborative, parent-led culturally competent early learning supports and education. Early Start Home visiting serves children under 3 years old with weekly, one on one visits designed to enhance the home as a learning environment. Children who are CPS involved, in foster care, experiencing homelessness or that have a disability automatically qualify, otherwise a participant must be within 200% of the federal poverty level. For more information, please call Ms. Beebe at (425)-712-9000.

○ **Community Connections – Partner Sharing Meeting**

- **Mostafa Ghous**, Director of the East County Campus of Everett Community College, shared about summer and fall classes becoming available. He also said the Youth Re-Engagement Program (U3) is reopening. The U3 program was created to provide educational opportunities for youth ages 16-20, who have dropped out of high school, and is a dual-credit program that enables youth to work toward a college degree as well as their high school diploma. Mr. Ghous indicated EvCC anticipates having more the 600 students enrolled in their general education programs at the Lake Tye facility this fall.
- **Kara Dineen** from Take the Next Step shared about agency fundraising efforts and other summer activities, including the Summer Kids Program and the Mom and Me Camp.
- **Wendi Burchill** from the Snohomish District shared that she is in the trenches developing a localized suicide prevention social marketing campaign. She informed the coalition of a statewide campaign coming down the pipeline. Ms. Burchill also introduced Jennifer Reid, the Health District’s newest Healthy Communities Specialist, who will be a frequent supporter of our Coalition.

- **Pastor Michael Hanford** discussed the benefits of having a newly combined Fire District 7.
- **Pertrisha Gray** from Walmart indicated her store has been seeing increasing incidents of shoplifting by teens this summer, but indicated this tends to be the norm after school releases.
- **Timothy Jackson** from Housing Hope talked about his increasing partnerships with Coalition member agencies like the YMCA, and invited members to stop by the College of Hope open house on July 28th.
- **Coalition Strategy Updates**
 - Joe Neigel shared outcomes from the spring pilot of the PAX Good Behavior Game. Maltby Elementary School achieved a 58% school wide reduction in distracting and disruptive classroom behaviors while Chain Lake Elementary achieved an 86% reduction.
- **Adjourn**

The Coalition meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Monroe Community Coalition Standing Subcommittees	
Leadership Team	Tom MacIntyre, Kerry Boone, Michael Hanford, Cherie Matyas, Mary Myers
Media/Communications	Cherie Matyas, Paola Saldana, Chris Gray,
Training	Mary Myers, JeNell Buchanan
Community Relations	Michael Hanford
Coalition Buddies	Kathryn Bernhardt, Morgan Huber
Vape Policy/Advocacy	Kerry Boone, Michael Hanford
LifeSkills Training Sustainability	Patty Conner, Lisa LaPlante, Nancy Rosenbaum, Cheryl Gertsch
Youth Coalition	Nick Glaze, Phoenix Hamel, Ciara de la Cuesta, John Lee, Patrick Miles, Amanda Lester, Kyleigh Council