



## MONROE COMMUNITY COALITION MINUTES

Thursday, September 15, 2016

**Attendance:** Blake Baird, Jim Bloss, Kerry Boone, JeNell Buchanan, Patty Conner, Kara Dineen, Chris Gray, Chris Hendrickson, Timothy Jackson, Chris Jury, Sarah Lunstrum, Tom MacIntyre, Cherie Matyas; Amber Mehta, Tim Peterson, Justin Springer, Eric Swenson

**Guests:** Justin Blasko, Monroe Public Schools; Jaime Beebe, EdCC Early Head Start; Katie Boyle, Head Start; Randy Brown, Monroe Public Schools; Juliette D’Alessandro, Snohomish Health District; Jodie Des Biens, NWESD #189; Brennan Edburgetown, Youth; Sam Franklin, Love and Addict; Cheryl Gertsch, Community Member; Jennifer Reid, Snohomish Health District; Erin Zacharda, Monroe Public Schools

**Staff:** Joe Neigel

**Sectors of Support represented at this meeting:** 10 (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 Tom MacIntyre. Every person attending received specific recognition and praise for their contribution to the Coalition.

- **New Coalition Business**

- **Orientation**

Coalition members were provided with a detailed overview of the Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative, risk and protective factor based prevention; community data, emerging issues, Coalition strategies and activities, and opportunities for involvement. The orientation power point is available on the Coalition website at:

- **Opportunities for Involvement**

The Coalition has many opportunities in which supporters can become involved:

- **Programs:** The Coalition is focused on increasing access to our evidence-based programs and needs your planning skills and support to arrange opportunities to deliver them. These programs include Parenting Wisely and the brief intervention SPORT Prevention Plus Wellness Program.
- **Communications:** The Coalition needs to develop a strategic communications plan and help carrying it out. If you have ideas about how we can better communicate with the each other and the community, or how to effectively promote community events, we need you! We also have a year-round media campaign that runs in the theater, “Talk. They Hear You.” in need of fresh ideas.
- **Training and Events that Advance Our Mission:** The Coalition needs your help to equip members and the community. We have need to deliver multiple trainings in the community, including additional screenings of Paper Tigers, Adverse Childhood Experiences training, Key Leader Orientations, Cultural Competency

training, Town Hall Meetings, and so much more!

- **Policy Advocacy:** The Coalition is tasked with creating environmental change. That is, influencing the policies, norms and conditions that contribute to community substance abuse. If you think it might be interesting to talk with the City Council, local businesses, the school board, PTO's or other influential community groups, this might be an opportunity for you!
- **Leadership Team:** The Leadership Team meets monthly to problem solve, create our meeting agendas, address behind the scenes coalition needs, and direct the work of the Coalition Coordinator. We currently have an opening for our new Secretary Position. Are you interested? Contact Joe immediately.
- **New Leadership Team Position Created - Secretary**  
At the recommendation of the Leadership Team, the Coalition voted to create a new Secretary position. The Secretary is primarily responsible for ensuring minutes are recorded during Leadership Team and Full Membership Meetings of the Coalition. The Secretary must be able to commit to attending monthly Leadership Team meetings on the first Wednesday of each month from 9-11am, as well as monthly full membership meetings on second Thursdays from 1-2:30pm. As a member of the Leadership Team, the Secretary will help to steer the Coalition's strategies and activities.
- **Updates**
  - **Officer Justin Springer** gave a law enforcement update and discussed his personal approach at Monroe High School.
- **Adjourn**  
The Coalition meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

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