



Cannon Falls

Cannon Falls CHI Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/15/2010 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Healthy kids

Healthy families

Healthy communities

Attendees: Bucky Lindow Brenda Owens Kathy Illa
 Glenn Christian Phillip Hammes Stacy Larson

Because there wasn't a quorum at tonight's meeting, and there hasn't been one for the last few meetings, it was decided that the previous months' minutes would be voted for approval via email. Members will have until Friday, February 19, to vote on November and December minutes.

Voting on this month's financial report will also approve the financial reports from the previous months because the activity will be up-to-date. We will do an official email vote to approve the money we spent for the MLK Day program.

Old Business:

CHI MLK Day Walk (Bucky)

Each attendee was allowed to share his/her thoughts about the MLK Day program. Some of the thoughts are as follows:

- Great programming---nice variety
- Disappointed with the turn-out---many hoped that more people would attend
- Perhaps it could have been linked to a spring event, maybe Prom or the Mock Crash
- The walk was a positive activity
- Wish it could have been incorporated into the school day more, like an assembly at the end of the day
- Should have put 23:00 on the scoreboard
- Maybe a "bigger name" to draw more
- The 911 call was powerful, and the kids were talking about that throughout the day
- Some parents were glad to use the program as a talking point for their kids and alcohol use
- Many were pleased with Evan and Mitch and their ability to talk to the group
- The program was recorded but there was no audio, which means it won't be able to be broadcasted on Channel 12

Stacy has shared the cards that were given out that night to other councils and communities and has received positive comments about them. They really like the fact that it spells out what the council is NOT. Dispelling the myths about the CHI is really huge for all of the councils. She would like to make a similar card for youth. It's important for them to understand who the council is and its function.

Putt-putt golf (Bucky)

Jeff and Mary Reinhardt, along with Interstate Supply Store, volunteered to make some improvements on the golf hole, which involved a paint job and other reinforcing tasks. It was ready for the PTO mini golf weekend.

The golf hole is currently being stored in the Callisters' barn, and it was suggested that we purchase a tarp to help preserve the workmanship of it. We will take an email vote to approve that purchase.

Pencils (Bucky)

The pencils have arrived, and they were given to the Superintendent, who then gave them to the testing coordinator, Anne Fick. All students should be able to take the MCA tests with a CHI pencil!

New Business:

The members at the meeting signed a thank you note that was written to the Reinhardts for their work on the golf hole. Other thank you notes need to be written to the following for their work in the MLK Day program: Mitch Geiken, Jamie Schulz, and Josiah Fisher.

Stacy mentioned that the Hope Coalition is sponsoring a Daddy/Daughter dance on April 11 at the Cannon Falls Area Elementary School. The purpose of the dance is to promote positive father-figures and to help reduce violence. It is for girls from preschool age to grade 5. She wondered if the CHI of Cannon Falls would like to donate a prize for the various games/activities that will take place at the dance. Philip made a motion that the Council purchase 3-\$25 Chamber coupons that could be given away as prizes. Bucky seconded it. The members present also agreed, so we need a few more votes to make this motion pass.

Goodhue County CHI Report:

Stacy described some of the evidence-based programs that the CHI is looking to pursue in the future throughout communities within the county. They include:

- Ordinances: currently working on a grant application
 - Seller/Server Training
 - Requires everyone who serves or sells liquor to complete an on-line training course.
 - Social Host
 - This ordinance allows law enforcement to charge individual(s) with a misdemeanor who knowingly allow minors to obtain, possess, or consume alcoholic beverages at parties held at private residences or private premises.
- Julie Hatch met with a youth focus group in all 5 schools of the county, and some info will be compiled to share at next month's meeting. The group consisted of students in grades 9-12, and varied from users, non-users, and students in recovery.
- Julie also interviewed community members about various issues, and it seems as though alcohol and marijuana use are the main concerns county-wide.
- Specific questions about the CHI have been given to county residents, and she will share those results next month.
- At the end of February, Goodhue County will implement a tobacco diversion program, which will help students stop using tobacco without the court system's involvement.

Upcoming Events:

Video Contest

It was discussed that this year we should not sponsor this event, but maybe the student group that Evan is leading can be the group to sponsor it next year.

Prom

We will provide reminders cards to local business (flower shop, tuxedo rentals, hair/nail salons) so they can distribute the cards to the kids at Prom to remind them to make good choices. Bucky will locate the cards we used last year.

Graduation Letter

In March, we will decide if we should send out a letter or postcard to graduating seniors and their parents.

Mock Crash

This will occur in April, and the EMS may look to us again for sponsorship.

Chemical Health Sunday

This will be on April 18. Stacy is meeting with the Faith sector this week, trying to encourage Bible studies and confirmation classes to focus on chemical health. The bulletin inserts that were used last year were great, so she will look at those again.

Sector Reports:

Faith Community	Dean Lundgren	No representation
Law Enforcement	Scott Mattingly	No representation
Youth Athletics	Bucky Lindow	Bucky shared that there are still gaps in the legal system of student violations and the school receiving notification. A school liason officer is greatly needed!
City Government	Phillip Hammes	No updates since last month.
Business	Greg Wulf	No representation
Parents	Jason Lundell	No representation
Health	Glenn Christian	No updates since last month.
Student	Evan Carpenter	No representation
School Board	Brenda Owen	School board meeting is NOT at the winery; only the school board retreat will be there.
Education	Bucky/Kathy	Evan was excited about the first meeting that was held last week. About 10 kids showed up and they are busy brainstorming various activities that they can do to promote a drug-free lifestyle.

Meeting Wrap-Up

- ❖ There is a spring sports registration meeting on Monday, February 22, at 6:00. Anyone is welcome to hand out our business card/alcohol facts to parents and students as they enter the auditorium.
- ❖ The next meeting will be March 15 at 7 pm at First English. We will need to discuss meeting dates and time---with a quorum!!!