



**Cannon Falls CHI Council Meeting Minutes**

Date: 11/21/2011 Time: 7:00 p.m.

<i>Healthy kids</i>
<i>Healthy families</i>
<i>Healthy communities</i>

<b>Attendees:</b>	Judy Haberman	Phil Hammes	Glenn Christian	Pat Dougherty
	Nancy Mills	Janae Blakeslee	Mike Ayres	Stacy Larson
<b>Not Present:</b>	Dean Lundgren	Kathy Illa	Deb Norstad	Trevor Sullivan/SADD

**Meeting Kick-Off**

The meeting was called to order by Pat Dougherty.

The group welcomed two new members to the council Janae Blakeslee and Mike Ayres.

- Janae joins us as one of our School sector representatives. Janae is the Counselor at the CF Elementary School, as well as, parent and member of the Cannon Falls Community. Welcome Janae!

- Mike joins us as our Law Enforcement sector representative. Mike is a member of the Cannon Falls Police Department and also works with the Safe & Sober program. Welcome Mike!

An individual introduction of each attendee was also conducted.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes and Agenda**

The agenda and October meeting minutes were reviewed by all attendees. Nancy motioned to approve both and Glenn seconded that motion. The motion was carried.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Stacy provided the treasurers report. There was no change from last month. The current balance is \$4,048.27. Stacy mentioned that the paperwork has been started to transition the account to our new Treasurer, Judy Haberman. It is best practice to have at least two signers on the account so Stacy asked if there was another council member that would be willing to be a secondary signer. Phil Hammes volunteered. Stacy will setup a short meeting in order to complete the paperwork and proceed with the transition.

**Key Business Items**

**a. Council Recruitment ~ Growing Capacity**

We are still working on ramping the group up to previous capacity. Stacy mentioned that we now have a schedule and structure in place for getting the SADD students to attend the monthly meetings so that there can be increased collaboration between the established groups. The group identified a key missing population to the group which is the parents of elementary school aged children. Stacy will continue to pursue the PTO group. Janae mentioned that she could help with this project as she is connected to this population.

Pat and Stacy will meet over the next couple weeks to create a letter to the editor which we will look to publish in early/mid December. Then after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year we will really work to ramp up the attendance. CHI members are encouraged to talk to people in the community.

#### **b. 2012 CHI Scholarship Fundraising Discussion**


Stacy mentioned that as she sat with the SADD students at conferences today, they discussed collaborating on a Scholarship Fundraising event. The kids had many great ideas such as middle-school formal event, movie night, dance, garage sale, bake sale, etc. Stacy mentioned that she would like to discuss options more with the students and get them actively involved in planning this event so we can really get the kids on board and the families in order to raise funds. Stacy will talk to Julie Hatch to see if we can start talks and collaborate on this. We will table it until the next meeting when we have the SADD students at the meeting.


#### **c. Prescription Drug Take Back Event and Options**


Mike mentioned that the local take back event on 10/29 went very well! He mentioned that both times that it was held in CF, it has been a success. The local PD periodically gets individual community members who have come in asking to dispose of their unneeded medications.

Stacy provided each attendee with a few options for bringing a permanent disposal solution to Cannon Falls. She laid out three options that could be considered along with a recommended option. The pre-manufactured solutions are estimated to cost around \$1200. She has been in contact with Chief of Police, Jeff McCormick previously on this solution and the options. The MedReturn option has been implemented in Dakota County. Stacy mentioned that this would be a great project for the local council to spearhead. We discussed approaching local businesses to see if they would be willing to sponsor the solution financially. In return they would get full recognition for their donation. Once the financial sponsors are found, Stacy proposed that we would do a pre-implementation press release announcing to the community that this solution is "coming soon". Then we would ask the Beacon to do a follow-up article once the solution has been implemented. In addition to this, there would be on-going recognition with signage on the box, as well as, other advertisements within the Goodhue County S.A.F.E. solution. We discussed next steps. Glenn mentioned that he would be willing to approach Mayo to see if they would be interested in contributing.

#### **d. Community & School Event Opportunities**

 Parent/Teacher Conferences 11/21 & 11/22: The CHI has a PowerPoint presentation that is displayed in the commons area of the school so the parents can read while waiting to talk to the teachers. Stacy was there with members of the SADD student group. The students tended to the table the majority of the time and provided information to parents. The students will also be there on Tuesday as well.

 Halloween PTO Carnival ~ 10/29: Howie was present at the carnival and was, once again, a huge hit with the kids! Chris Gonzales, who is a SADD student, was Howie.

 Holiday Plan:

- Channel 12 Presentation: Stacy brought a holiday presentation that she created for Channel 12. She will email it out to the group for review prior to submitting to the local network.

- Council Newsletter: She also brought a copy of last year's CHI Council newsletter which included tips on keeping friends and family safe over the holidays along with recipes for non-alcoholic drinks. We discussed posting the newsletter around town on the bulletin boards, as well as, having them available downtown for Deck the Falls.
- Beacon Ad: Stacy also handed out copies of the holiday ad that was submitted to the Beacon last year. Since we discussed putting a CHI ad in after the first of the year to increase our capacity, we decided to wait with the ad and spend the money then.

**e. Media Opportunities with Channel 12:**

Stacy mentioned an idea that we could pass along to the SADD students to do some commercials or short videos for Channel 12 which would be a part of a "positive norm" campaign which would encourage youth to stay chemical free. She brought this up to the students that she talked to at conferences and we will continue to include it on the agenda for our future meeting when we have the SADD members in attendance.

**Sharing and Open Discussion/CHI County Update**

Stacy gave a brief update on the Social Host and Mandatory Seller/Server Ordinance activities around the county. She shared two maps of Goodhue County that show the coverage areas along with small gaps areas. We have come along way this year! Stacy presented the ordinances to the city of Bellechester last week and they will be voting next month. Next we will proceed onto the city of Dennison and then the City of Pine Island in hopes that we can get the ordinances in place throughout the county.

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**Meeting Wrap-Up**

Glenn motioned to adjourn the meeting. Phil seconded the motion, and it carried.

**NOTE THE CHANGE IN NEXT MONTH'S MEETING:**

**Due to the holiday season and schedules, we will not be meeting in December.**

**The next council meeting will be January 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the First English Lutheran Church Meeting Room.**