



Red Wing CHI Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/12/2011

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Healthy kids

Healthy families

Healthy communities

Attendees: Kjurstin Langer Dave Borgen Matt Traynor Lisa Hanson Katherine Cross
Tim Sletten Tom Rikli Jo Seton Evan Gough Stacy Larson
Lars Lidahl (Student Council President)

The meeting was called to order by Kjurstin. The minutes and agenda were reviewed by all members. Introductions were conducted by all attendees.

Key Discussion Items:




Prom Activities (Prom is scheduled for Saturday 4/30)

Pre-Prom Activity:

The council is planning to once again distribute the CHI prom cards that promote a safe event. The cards were printed in house last year. Pam and Stacy have an electronic copy of the cards so we can print them up again this year and distribute to the retailers associated with prom.

Discussed doing activities the week of prom such as a presentation to the student body regarding drugs/alcohol and having a safe prom. Scott, from the law enforcement office, did a presentation in prior years which was good but there was a need for debriefing after since the content was graphic.

Options for the school week activities include:

-  Show the presentation during health class.
-  Present the presentation through a small student assembly. (There was concern about having enough time during the day.)
-  Staging a Car outside with posters explaining the situation for the kids to see. Tim will call the state to get more information. This will require more consideration and discussion.

Prom Event:

The plan for prom is that the Grand March will start at 5:00 at the Red Wing High School. The students will then go to Mississippi National after the Grand March for the Dinner and Dance.

It is planned to offer the Breathalyzer tests again this year. It was a positive addition to the event last year and it is planned to offer this annually. We will recommend changing the position of the line as this was an issue last year. Tom and Tim will plan on ordering 1 box of tubes which contains a quantity of 500. Tim mentioned that the RW PD would donate the tubes this year.

After Prom Event:

Tom Rikli contacted the local movie theater, Red Wing Cinema 8, and the owner said he would be willing to host a movie night following the prom dance. It sounds like he would waive the admission fee for the movie(s) and then kids would just be responsible for their food/drink/candy. He said he would like to have some kind of head count so he knows how much staff to have on hand. Tom will email the contact

at the movie theatre to see what their threshold is for the head count. He also thought that if only a handful of kids were going to show up, this may not be worth the effort. We discussed promoting the events at various venues such as:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences (March 1 & 3)
 - CHI can have a table in the general area of the school during conferences where council members and/or students could hand out information on the prom event, in addition to, other CHI materials.
- Newspaper – RW Republican Eagle
 - Jo will contact the Ann Jacobson at the RE to talk about getting an article in.
- School Newsletters
 - Lisa will check with Beth on the newsletters.
- Posters
- School Website
- Include note on the back of the prom tickets.

We could then have a sign up available. Another idea to draw the kids in was to offer prize drawings could even be done right at the theatre to get more kids there. This would be a great way to promote an alcohol-free prom.

Lars, who is the Student Council President, attended the meeting and provided some feedback on last year's prom. He said that the music at the dance last year wasn't real great dance music, not enough slower dances. Last year kids ended up leaving the dance early and then they would go to their friends houses and in many cases, they would stay all night. Lars mentioned that the Owatonna school sponsors an all night event where all the kids that go to the prom stay at the school all night.

It was noted that the after prom activity should be open to all kids, not just the ones that go to the prom. Discussed also having activities such as XBOX and Wii games (Dance Dance Revolution, Wii Sports, Mario Kart, etc.) available at the event as well. We will need to check with the Sheldon to see if we could display the games on the big screen or projector screens. We also discussed having the inflatable stations possibly in the lobby. Need to check on liability. This will require further discussion with the council and the movie theater.

Discussed the option of having the event as an all night event and making sure that everyone that attended stayed. If we went with this format, would that discourage kids from attending? It was decided that we would keep it as an "After Prom Activity" open to all prom goers along with others in grades 11 & 12. We would leave it open so that the kids have the option to leave but there would be ground rules associated with the event. We would ask the CHI Council members to help chaperone the event.

It was decided that we would have a small committee that would go and meet with the movie theater and work out the details. Tom Rikli was named chair of this committee. Matt and Kjurstin offered to participate on this committee.

CHI Donation for Prizes:

It was thought that last year we donated around \$200-\$300 for prizes. A check was given to the Prom Committee to select the prizes. Tim made a motion to commit to donating \$100 at this time and then if we get some funds back in the account after the dance "fundraiser" then we can allocate more. Lisa

seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motioned passed. Discussed approaching local businesses to see if they would be willing to donate anything towards the prom.

Early Release Day Activity – March 1 (1:00–3:00)

CHI is planning to co-sponsor a snowshoeing/cross country ski event with the ELC at the middle school. Following are key points to this discussion:

- The middle school said that they would let us use the equipment.
- Jo offered to create a poster to advertise the event.
- Promote event in school newsletters and on school website.
- Possibly offer hot chocolate. Can we purchase from the school? Kjurstin will check on this.
- Thinking around 40 kids will participate.
- Promote the CHI. Work to get press coverage and news briefs giving both CHI and ELC credit.
- If weather turns, it will turn into a hiking adventure.

Middle School Dance/ Budget/Fundraising

CHI is looking to co-sponsor a middle school dance either on Fri. 2/18 or 2/25. We would do this in partnership with the Student Council. (Lars mentioned the middle school dances are best planned for Fridays.) Kjurstin has been in contact with the Middle school to arrange and will contact them again to discuss the details. Lars said that he would be happy to DJ the event.

The council agreed to provide tickets for those that cannot afford.

Stacy reviewed the current budget. As of 11/15, the council account balance was \$1,060.37. There was one expenditure in December from the RW Republican Eagle in the amount of \$180 for the Holiday Ad. This would bring the account balance down to \$880.37. Stacy will confirm the account balance with Mike Zorn.

Lars mentioned that the school dances are a great way to fund raise. He said that he would be willing to DJ. He said that the student council has sponsored dances in the past and have typically done a pre-sales of tickets for \$5. The set rate for the school DJ is \$300, however, Lars said that this can be flexible depending upon the organization and event. He said that the HS dance typically brings in about \$600 and then the semi-formal is typically \$1200 for student council. The semi-formal is planned for 1/22. An option would be for the CHI to sponsor a High school dance for Feb. or Mar. An option would be to plan it for the day after the middle school dance. (Saturdays are the best days for the high school dances)

Discussed the year end dance and Dave mentioned that it is hoped that we would participate again this year. In previous years, they have rented the inflatables but it was felt that we would not do this again this year as the kids are there to dance. There are other activities that we can offer at a lower cost.

Sharing

Law Enforcement Update – Tim Sletten

Tim provided update from the law enforcement sector. They performed alcohol compliance checks at the end of December and there was 1 failure. He also reviewed some of the 2010 year end statistics based on complaints received. ***Please note that these are not arrests, only complaints received.***

Following are some highlights:

Category	2010 Statistics	Comparison to 2009	Category	2010 Statistics	Comparison to 2009
Drug/Drug Related	146	24 More than 2009	DWI (not arrests)	94	44 Less than 2009
Intoxicated persons/Detox	110	17 More than 2009	Tobacco (not arrests) (Juvenile)	12	Same as 2009
Liquor Possession/Consumption (Juvenile)	22	6 More than 2009	Party Complaints	10	4 Less than 2009
Disturbance	302	43 More than 2009	Domestics	137	26 More than 2009
Family Complaints	127	19 More than 2009	Mental Illness	47	25 More than 2009
Attempt to Locate	178	89 More than 2009			

Per Tim, there has been a 6.5% increase in calls for service in the past year. This can be partially contributed to the economy and unemployment situation.

Meeting Wrap-Up

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at 1:30 at the Red Wing High School.