

**Riverhead Community Coalition for Safe and Drug-Free Youth
Meeting Minutes March 14, 2019
Atlantis Banquets & Events
431 East Main Street, Riverhead, NY 11901**

The mission of the Riverhead Community Coalition for Safe and Drug-Free is to engage collaborative partners in the planning, implementation and evaluation of strategies that prevent youth substance use.

Present:	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Sector</u>
Felicia Scocozza	Riverhead CAP	Program Director
Kelly Miloski	Riverhead CAP	Project Coordinator
Cynthia Redmond	Riverhead CAP	Parent
Shannon Kutner	Riverhead CAP	Parent
Aimee Meyer	Riverhead CAP	Youth Serving
Karen Keller	Riverhead CAP	Youth Serving
David Hegermiller	Riverhead PD	Law enforcement
Liz Keller	Riverhead Recreation	Youth Serving
Carissa Siry	CDTF	Government
Sean Cassidy	CDTF	Government
Beth Maccagli	Riverhead JAB	Government
Maggie Dufour	Riley Avenue PTO	Parent
MaryEllen Adams	LIPRC	Other S.A. Agency
Tracy Kolsin	Southampton Youth Bureau	Youth-Serving
David Wilmott	Edward Jones	Business
Brenden Van Slyke	PBMC Northwell Health	Healthcare
Beth Young	East End Beacon	Media
Paulette Orlando	Tobacco Action Coalition	Other S.A. Agency
PJ Tedeschi	Tobacco Action Coalition	Other S.A. Agency

I. Introductions

Kelly opened the meeting at 2:32 and welcomed the coalition members. Members went around the room and did introductions. Many thanks to Atlantis Banquets & Events for the venue for our meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes from February 14, 2019 meetings

Request to amend the February 14, 2019 minutes to reflect that Liz Keller's name was spelled incorrectly. Maggie Dufour and Karen Keller to approve the February 14, 2019 coalition meeting minutes.

III. Pre-Prom Meetings & Promo Stickers – Cynthia Redmond

Prom

The annual pre-prom mandatory meetings for RCSD parents and high school seniors will take place on Monday, April 8, 2019 and Wednesday, May 1, 2019 from 6:00-8:00 PM as indicated on the district calendar. Many thanks to PBMC Northwell Health for sponsoring the events. The program will run much

like past events with a brief presentation by Riverhead CAP, Riverhead Police Department, and physicians from PBMC. We will have the Prom Expo during prom ticket sales so if anyone knows of a local business willing to participate, please contact Cynthia.

During discussions with the senior class advisors, we were informed that the prom will take place at East Wind this year and that “the students don’t want” the Pre-Prom Red Carpet Reception. Students will either provide their own transportation or take limos to and from the prom this year. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be a clear cut school policy regarding prom transportation as it appears to left to the discretion of the advisors and this year, the students.

Promo Stickers

We have developed a 2 ½ inch sticker that says “Congratulation Class of 2019. Live Your Best Life. Celebrate Sober.” We plan to ask local businesses to put these stickers on catering orders, corsages, sandwiches, coffee cups etc. during prom and graduation season. If you are interested in helping out with this initiative, please contact Cynthia.

IV. RYC Presentation & Al Krupski Meeting – Kelly Miloski

Legislators Al Krupski and Bridget Fleming have requested to meet with the Riverhead Youth Coalition to discuss their observations, opinions, and concerns regarding the youth vaping. The legislators are interested in potentially developing legislation to combat this issues. The students will be meeting with the legislators on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 after school at Riverhead Middle School.

V. DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day – Chief Hegermiller

This semi-annual event will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Peconic Bay Medical Center. Brenden Van Slyke reported that PBMC has collected 100lbs. of medication in their lobby Drop Box over the past two months. We are looking for adult volunteers to participate in the take back event.

IV. Goal: Increase Community Collaboration

Coalition Member Training Survey – Coalition Members

If you have not done so already, please complete the following survey online at <http://conta.cc/2UXRx1i> This will enable us to develop training opportunities for coalition members.

RCC Coalition Member of the Month – Kelly Miloski

Liz Keller is March’s Coalition Member of the Month. Many thanks to Liz for helping organize the Meet & Greet, coordinating transportation to Beach radio for the RYC, helping to get signage at the parks and beaches to reduce substance use, and the way Liz always offers her help with a cheerful smile. Thank you Liz for all that you do for the coalition and the community.

Meet & Greet – Liz Keller

5th Annual Meet & Greet – Thursday, April 11, 2019; 3:00-5:00 PM at Riverhead Firehouse

Invitations have been sent out and plans are underway to make this year’s event interactive and informative. Committees/partners have been working to develop activities to engage guests as they come into the event and walk around. The RYC members have been meeting to plan their presentation and tables. Maggie reviewed what members signed up to do at the event and other members

volunteered to help where it will be needed.

Checklist & Elevator Speech – Felicia Scocozza

Felicia distributed copies of the coalition mission statement and asked members to be able to convey key points to guests at the Meet & Greet. As guests check in, they will be given a “Scavenger Hunt” card to check off as they meet people and visit tables at the event. One of the items will be to ask a coalition member for the mission statement.

Sector Activity – TSgt. Carissa Siry & Coalition Members

For the Meet & Greet, Carissa built board and will be asking guests to think of the various sectors they represent and tie a string between them. The purpose of this activity is to inspire people to think about their spheres of influence and how we are all connected with a common purpose.

VII. Community Announcements

CAP’s Bowling Bonanza – Felicia Scocozza

Riverhead CAP’s Bowling Bonanza will take place at the All Star on March 21st from 7-9:30pm. The cost is only \$20 per person and advanced registration is required to secure a spot. Bowling, shoes, soda and chips are all included. We will also have our famous umbrella raffles, prizes and food available for purchase. For more information, contact Riverhead CAP at 631-727-3722.

Family Service League – MaryEllen Adams

DASH – Diagnostic, Assessment, and Stabilization Hub

The goal of crisis intervention is to provide quality care while reducing unnecessary use of emergency departments, inpatient care, and criminal justice services. DASH includes a 24-hour emergency hotline, Mobile Response Team, Professional Assessment and response, and a comfortable 24-hour stay to determine continuum of care. DASH is located in Hauppauge. For more information, visit www.fsl-li.org.

Southampton Youth Association – Tracy Kolsin

3 ON 3 Basketball – March 15, 2019 at SYS in Southampton from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Open to kids in grades 5-12. Cost is \$15 per team by March 15th or \$30 at the door. For more information, call (631) 702-2425.

Riverhead Literacy Zone Career Fair – Sharon Goeller

Riverhead Free Library on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the downstairs Stage Room. Onsite Workshops will be available.

Town of Riverhead Youth Job Fair – Liz Keller

Open to youth fourteen years of age and older. The event will take place at the Riverhead Senior Center on March 28, 2019 from 4:00 Pm to 7:00 PM.

VIII. Next Meeting – Our 5th Annual Meet & Greet

Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Riverhead Firehouse

540 Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead, NY 11901

IV. Meeting to Adjourn at 3:27 PM – Maggie Dufour/Tracy Kolsin