



## Drug-Free Caroline Coalition

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Meeting Minutes  
Denton Library  
October 1, 2013  
12-1:30 pm

Vernon Spriggs Dolly McMahon	Prevention Coordinator CCBOE Partners for Success	Vicki Goldsborough Sandy Tilghman	Community member CCBOE
Bill Allen Linda Walls Ann Simperts Cathleen Bilodeau	CCPS Community member Community member CCHD	Bill Allen Trish Todd Karen Bishop James Brown	CCBOE MD Coalition of Families MHSO DJS

### Greetings and announcement

- Vernon read letter of resignation of Tony Gianninoto as MSPF Coordinator. Tony will stay involved with DFCC as community member.
- Shirley Lake has agreed to take the part-time position and will begin training as soon as paperwork is completed.

### Minutes approval

- September meeting minutes were emailed today with written copies available at meeting. Corrections were noted as follows, Dolly motioned to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathleen, unanimous approval.
  - Bill Allen reported 4 schools have been recognized for PBIS; Federalsburg & CRMS as Gold, CRHS as Bronze and Ridgely as Silver.
  - Karen reported October 1<sup>st</sup> was the date cell phone use while driving was a primary offense.

### Reports & Partnerships

#### Karen Bishop

- FYI on cell phone use law—police are exempt; however, departments are working on internal policies to address usage by officers. Brochures on new law are available. Alcohol related crashes are less than this time last year.

#### Trish Todd

- Reported the first Connections Conference for parents was held in Baltimore on Sept 28<sup>th</sup>. REACH retreat to be held in November.

#### Cathleen Bilodeau

- Reported continuing work with Wellness Coalition and presentations on 2<sup>nd</sup> hand smoke.
- Flu shots are now available at the health dept.

#### Dolly McMahon

- Sibshops for siblings to be held October/November at Denton Library.
- Stand for Silent holding poster contest in schools. Seeking sponsors for prize donations for each school. Held training last night this was covered by a reporter from Star Democrat.

#### Vickie Goldsborough

- Youth are beginning to work on making Christmas Gifts for Seniors.

#### Sandy Tilghman

- So far good school year
- Translators and support staff are at NCHS to assist students in dealing with recent traffic accident in north county involving Caroline County students.

#### Vernon Spriggs

- October is National Substance Abuse month. It has been requested he participate in a Parent Symposium and he advised members he is available to do presentations.
- \$100 donation was made to DFCC by Trish Noble. It was also noted that for the purpose of grant applications, it is sometimes favorable to show where members donate to the organization.
- Christine Engle was able to represent DFCC at the Fall Fest @ CRHS.
- Recovery Walk was attended by nine vendors, mostly mental health consumers. Next year event will be held 9/14/2014. Ann Simperts will lead a review & planning committee.

#### Business

- Caroline County Mental Health is looking for office space in Federalsburg with HEZ grant monies. It was suggested they may have obtained space at the Nuttle Bldg.
- Members were asked to complete survey about their knowledge of DFCC.
- By-laws state elections for Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary & Treasurer must be held in October. Descriptions of positions stated as well as that of Parliamentarian will be emailed to members along with requests for nominations. Vernon will then confirm person is willing to serve and we will hold election at November meeting.
- A special request by Lt. Ron Dixon was to be discussed regarding funding for alcohol breathalyzers for jail, but this will be tabled until November.
- Committee meetings need to be scheduled. Report is due by 10/15/13. Committee assignments to be researched from past minutes and emailed to members. Each member is encouraged to participate on a committee.

Adjournment 1:00 p.m.

Next meeting November 5, 2013, 12:00 p.m. @ Denton Library