

Prosser Coalition: Community Involvement and Action

Attendance: Bekka Beierle, David Giles, Julie Petersen, Victoria Walker, Shyla Sneider, Ron McHenry, Tracy Boyle, Debra Saari, Jim Hopwood, Kevin Lusk, Paul Warden (forgot to sign in), Nanette Stark, Rebeka Harris, Jorge Lopez, Teresa Bell.

Meeting minutes:

Group Check in- verified all contact info and made changes where necessary.

Group decided on name and Logo for Coalition: Prosser Coalition: Community Involvement and Action (C.I.A.)

All members decided that they want to have a popular vote process for all board members and general members who attend meetings each month. Board members voted in Jennifer Dorsett-Chair, Rebekka Beierle-Co Chair, Victoria Walker-Secretary. Group asked about having a treasurer. Informed that due to unknown funds and fiscal agent at this time we will be without a treasurer. Will revisit if necessary.

Group discussed purchasing posters, brochures, banners etc with any remaining moneys for this biennium. Jennifer will update group with money remaining and purchases made for coalition. Window Clings was also another idea brought up by Ron.

Group decided that participating in 4th of July parade was a good idea. Other members, Boyle, Lusk, McHenry and Petersen thought participating in balloon rally, farmers market, states day parade and making a visit to chamber of commerce for other events would be a good idea. Jennifer will follow up. Planned on attending 4th of July parade and states day parade so far. Rebekka and Tracy will get youth volunteers for these events and update Jennifer with names and contact info.

Group decided 3rd Thursdays at 8am will be a good day and time to meet. We will do a "Train" at this time. Moving meetings from place to place in the community. Next meeting will take place at Young Life building June 20th.

Reviewed coalition goals from the state. Discussed different sectors and member commitment. Julie Petersen shared that there is a grant writing that we might want to get in touch with about the drug free communities grant and possible other grants to apply for. She gave Jennifer her contact info. Jennifer will follow up and report back.

Jorge Lopez and David Giles gave legal data to Jennifer for strategic planning. Ron stated he has access to data from Boys and Girls club that is in correlation with HYS. Julie Petersen stated she has access to data from the hospital as well.

Topics to think about for next meeting:

Be thinking about a mission statement- Jennifer will email out reminder and ask for ideas to compile for 20th meeting.

Athena website access- all members of coalition can access this information and see what other coalitions are doing and get more info about our state goals. Jennifer will send out email link.

Volunteering: What will you want to volunteer for this year? Sub Committees, planning, parades-