

MEETING AGENDA

Weymouth Prevention Alliance

Meeting date: May 15, 2024

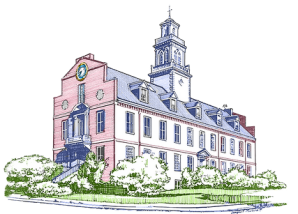
Start time: 4:00 PM

End time: 5:00 PM

Meeting location: Tufts Library / [Zoom](#)

Meeting purpose: Monthly meeting

TIME	DESCRIPTION	PRESENTER
4:00	Welcome/Introductions	Group
4:10	Vigil 2024	Group
4:25	Abatement Updates	Keryn
4:45	Trainings/Upcoming Events	Keryn
5:00	Wrap-Up/Community Announcements	Group



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MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance:

Anne-Marie Devaney
Dan McCormack
Dave Morgan
Julie Long
Kathy Ernest-Madden
Keryn Jacobs
Lou Rizzo
Teryn Hermenau
Tim Quigley

Minutes:

- Meeting begins with a review of our group agreements.
- Updates provided on Black Balloon Day 2024. Over 100 balloons outside and 75 inside. That is 66% more balloons than last year! This number signifies the growth of our network. More community organizations are joining the conversation. Included in the attached slide deck are links to the virtual balloon release and the picture slideshow. SSH joined us this year by placing black balloons at all their entrances. An internal email was sent from Tim to SSH explaining the event. He received nearly 20 positive responses from colleagues.
- BUY updates: moving forward with next steps which include Alcohol purchase surveys. A program that will bring together WPD and BUY to implement an alcohol purchasing program. A young adult, aged 21 will shop for alcohol. When they are asked to show identification, the retailer will receive positive education on the importance of being consistent in asking for identification. If they are not asked for identification, again, education occurs to share information on the importance of asking for identification and how it will protect Weymouth's youth from accessing alcohol. Next, BUY will begin working on a positive social normal campaign (please see trainings section to learn more about positive social norms). We are going to Kick Butts Day!! Myself, the teacher leader of SALSA and 6 Weymouth High School students will be heading to the Statehouse on April 2. Stay tuned for pictures and updates!

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- Opioid Abatement update: Shared proposal submission process and announced the working group has been established. I work to ensure that each individual is protected, when the group is ready to meet WPA, they will. It is important that we respect the anonymity of those who wish to remain anonymous. Continued outreach and assessment is the goal. Current outreach efforts are aimed at LGBTQIA+ and non-English speaking residents. Additionally, Kathy mentioned focus groups within support groups. Work will begin soon to reach these populations. The abatement dashboard is a wonderful tool developed by Care Mass. It allows users to navigate throughout the Commonwealth and gain information on spending and amounts of funds available in each municipality. Please note that the data is reflective of fiscal year 23. Meaning it is not the most up-to-date information on dollar amounts received and spent.
- Training opportunities: We are excited to share upcoming trainings! Montana Institute on Positive Social Norms. The second training is Deconstructing Structural Racism: Through Policy, Systems, and Environmental Change. Please reach out with any questions.
- Upcoming Events: Overdose Remembrance and Candlelight Vigil in August. This year August 31 falls on the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend. We are opening this conversation up to the group seeking input on when we should hold this event. I will send out a poll for each of you to vote. 2024 Walk for Hope and Recovery Festival will be on Saturday Sept. 21, 2024. More details to follow!
- Community Updates: Tim shared the wonderful work of SSH which included an update on their SSH collaborative of Towns to work together on a regional approach to shared resources. He also shared the BSAS grant which they will have for 7 years. This grant allows for the hiring of community health workers (CHW) who will work on direct referrals to bridge rather than ED visits. They will be beginning 72 hour methadone and Tim shared that Spectrum is open to adding more intake days. Currently intake only occurs on Thursdays.

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Overdose Remembrance and Candlelight Vigil

Meeting date: 8/23/23

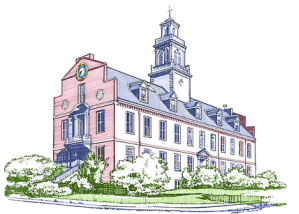
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Meeting location: Brad Hawes Park 176 Lakehurst Ave Weymouth

Meeting purpose: Finalize layout

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4:00	Quick Intro	Group
4:10	Updates	Keryn
4:25	Layout & Logistics	Group
4:50	Wrap-Up	Group



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