

# Georgetown Substance Abuse Advisory Panel

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> Douglas Dawes, Chairman Pamela Lundquist, Clerk Police Chief Donald Cudmore Fire Chief Fred Mitchell Superintendent Carol Jacobs

Georgetown Substance Abuse Advisory Panel
(the SAAP)

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 20, 2017

The Public safety Building

<u>In attendance:</u> Selectman Doug Dawes, Fire Chief Fred Mitchell, School Committee Vice Chair/GeorgetownCARES Pam Lundquist, Police Chief Donald Cudmore.

Meeting called to order at 10:00 A.M.

**Re: Previous meeting's minutes** were approved by the Committee.

#### Re: New Business: Name Change?

Doug raised the question of possibly changing the panel's name, as he has met with people who find the name off-putting. We want the name of this panel to invite people in to learn more rather than give the impression that our group is out to judge or prosecute anyone. Several alternatives were discussed. It was mentioned that the word "healthy" might not distinguish us from Healthy Pharms. Everyone liked the term "community," and felt positive about something like "Georgetown Community Prevention Partnership (or alliance)." It was decided to consider and discuss this issue further at our September meeting.

**Re: SAAP Webpage** – The goal for this meeting was to begin to consider content to give to Kip Durney so that he can further advise us on the best options for our webpage. Pam brought a draft of ideas, which was agreed to be a good start. We will talk further about content ideas at our September meeting.

**Re:** Engaging Community Leaders – We discussed again inviting other town organizations to send representatives to our meeting(s) so that we can become a resource to them and learn about their needs. Carol has contacted the GEF, and will contact the PTA and GAA. Doug will contact the Clergy, the Council of Aging and the (district) Veterans. Pam will contact the Board of Health (Deb Rogers), and the Housing Authority (Dianne Drinhan) and the SEPAC. Carol will contact the PTA and the GAA.

**Re: Future Action & Agenda Items** (before the end of the year): consider further name change ideas, proposals/ideas for website development, SAAP goals & strategies, committee membership growth/composition, speaker series plans.

## **Re: Upcoming Meetings Scheduled** – Future meetings will include:

Thursday, September 28th, 10:00-11:00am, at Perley

Meeting Adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Pam Lundquist

### Helpful Tower Foundation Websites:

http://www.thetowerfoundation.org

http://newburyportyouthservices.com

http://www.allstarsprevention.com/new/index2.html All Stars Prevention LLC,

Greensboro, NC.

#### Helpful Town Model Websites

http://needhamma.gov/index.aspx?NID=2124

http://www.needhamma.gov/index.aspx?nid=2489

http://www.weymouth.ma.us/substance-abuse-prevention-team-o

#### Other Town Model Websites

http://medfordhealthmatters.org

http://www.town.billerica.ma.us/426/Substance-Abuse-Prevention-Committee

https://www.rockportma.gov/board-health/pages/substance-abuse-prevention-harm-reduction

https://www.milton-coalition.org

http://www.townofbraintreegov.org/mayor/initiatives\_substanceabuseprevention.html

http://barnstable.ma.networkofcare.org/mh/services/subcategory.aspx?tax=RX-8250

http://www.bedfordma.gov/youth-family/pages/prevention-services

http://www.town.pepperell.ma.us/464/Substance-Abuse

https://www.southboroughtown.com/youth-and-family-services/pages/substance-abuse-prevention