

Sonoma County Advisory Board on Alcohol and Drug Problems

Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2004: 5 - 7 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Abrahams, Chair
Harmony Galford

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steve Thomas
Michael Falk
Marvin Mars
Tammy Cotter
Bill Redder
Deborah Williams
Trey Dunia

STAFF PRESENT

Gino Giannavola
Barbara Graves
Claudia Brennan
Maureen Donaghue
Sarah Moore

PROVIDERS & GUESTS

Michael Spielman, DAAC
Jenna McAdam, Athena House
Robby Smith, SOCYPAA

No Advisory Board quorum present. This meeting was for information sharing purposes only.

I. Public Comment

There will be no Advisory Board Meeting in August. The next meeting will be September 15th.

II. Review of Minutes

Approval of June minutes was held over for September meeting due to lack of quorum.

III. Subcommittee Reports

Policy Development/Advocacy Subcommittee

The conference on Land Use Approaches to the Prevention of Community Alcohol Problems is scheduled for November 17, 2004, at the Doubletree in Rohnert Park. The committee is trying to recruit elected representatives from all cities and county agencies. The Advisory Board is the sponsor of the event, and will invite the Police Chiefs to co-sponsor. Barbara Graves acknowledged the work that John Abrahams and Steve Thomas have done on behalf of this subcommittee and in particular, this event.

Community Education

This subcommittee has not met since the last Advisory Board Meeting.

IV. SACPA (Prop 36) Update

- Action Item Information: Resolution regarding the SACPA redistribution method
The redistribution regulations are in effect as of July 1. No action was taken. Item was carried over to next meeting.

- Action Item Information: Resolution to support AOD access to services at A Step Up AODS met with CSN (Community Support Network) and Mental Health to work out protocols. They signed a contract for one bed with A Step Up, effective July 12. The contract does not cover an entire year, but is a pilot contract utilizing the money that was available. No action was taken. Item was carried over to next meeting.

The updated 04/05 SACPA plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors. A recent study done on SACPA recidivism indicated a recidivism rate somewhere below 20% for successful SACPA graduates. The Advisory Board and staff indicated an interest in knowing more about the people who did re-offend. AODS will look into the re-offender rate and profile in more detail and present the findings.

V. Prevention Division

They continue to develop their proposal for the SIG Grant. They are proposing to partner with Sonoma State University to focus on binge drinking. They feel they are going to be very competitive.

Maureen Donaghue has accepted a position as the AODS Orenda Residential/Detox Program Manager. Prevention and Planning is very sad to be losing her, but feel that it's a good opportunity for her.

VI. AODS Division Report

The Governor recently vetoed the emergency room reporting bill. This bill would have allowed emergency rooms to report that an injury was related to alcohol and other drug use, and still be paid for the services by the insurance companies. It would have provided a more actual picture of the effect of alcohol abuse on emergency room services.

VII. Roundtable

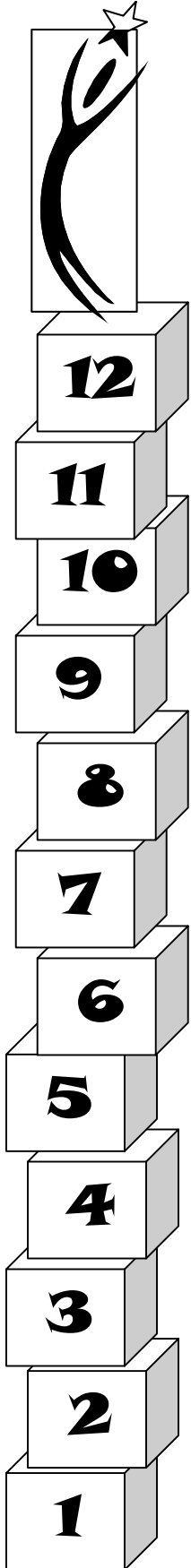
DAAC: They met with the Ridgway principal, where they are going to be doing a Phoenix program with about 80 to 100 kids. The Acacia Lane Turning Point is losing their extended back yard area to a housing development. The Needle Exchange program is at a low funding point. They have asked for funding from a Levi Strauss grant and a community grant. They currently have enough funding for about 4 more months of service.

Athena House: They are doing well.

Harmony Galford: The SOCYPAA (Sonoma County Young People in AA) had their first BBQ, which was well attended. They have an event line for Saturday events. There are now three meetings available. A flyer will be drafted and distributed to help get the word out (flyer attached to these minutes).

Meeting adjourned: 6:00 p.m

Sonoma County Young People in AA



12 Step Meetings

Young and Sober

Sundays, 6 pm

Stony Point Ministry Center
2200 Giffen Avenue

Santa Rosa, CA 95407 (corner of Stony Point and Giffen)

Young Men's Step Study

Tuesdays, 6 pm

Church of Religious Science
2075 Occidental Road
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

TBDME For Young People

Thursdays, 6 pm

United Methodist Church
1551 Montgomery Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

Business Meeting

1st Friday of the month, 6 pm

Stony Point Ministry Center
2200 Giffen Avenue

Santa Rosa, CA 95407 (corner of Stony Point and Giffen)

Additional Information: Harmony @ (707) 695-2999

Event Line: Rob @ (707) 235-5369

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