

## METH TASK FORCE MEETING NOTES

June 1, 2006

Present: M. Anderson, L. Burgess, K. Greenwood, E. O'Connell, V. Simon, D. Walker, J. Weaver, and S. White

- Welcomed both Meg Anderson and Kim Greenwood from SEABHS.
- This month's community presentation was with the Stewart District on May 11<sup>th</sup>. S. White would like Task Force participation with the Teen Maze which will occur in August or September of 2006.
- D. Walker provided material on Drug Courts and their role in meth treatment, as well as, an article discussing physiologically the difficulties to meth treatment.
- J. Weaver and S. White attended May's Coalition meeting. The Coalition has yet to receive their grant money. They are still in the infancy of their organization. They have been impressed by the accomplishments of our Task Force.
- Lengthy discussion was held to determine treatment options available to our community. SEABHS does have a 16 bed inpatient treatment center, in Benson, but is only available to adults. It is a 2 week inpatient treatment center for substance abuse that provides counseling, treatment, and medications, if required. There is also Three Springs Vista Care center in Sierra Vista that can care for adolescents. Jerry Howard is the CEO and the contact number is: 520-378-6466. Maritza is the local SEABHS outpatient contact for substance abuse/DUI/Court order treatment. Their contact number is: 520-384-2521. S. White would like to have a pamphlet for WASA/WHS/SEABHS to help facilitate referrals. **K. Greenwood will assist with providing contacts and will help with facilitating the referral process. M. Anderson will assist with disseminating information to SEABHS about the Task Force.**
- S. White reports on the Drug Testing Committee. There are approximately 20 people on the committee. There has been one meeting thus far with two public forums. KVOA Channel 4 interviewed S. White and Dr. Roberts for the May 30<sup>th</sup> 22:00 news. S. White does believe that the testing will go forward. It will be difficult to implement before school starts but will likely be in place by the New Year.
- D. Walker reports that N. Buckner does want to provide sports physicals to the high school students. **D. Walker will have N. Buckner follow-up with S. White to help organize meth education with the sports physicals.**
- S. White presents a grant proposal for \$100K and all reviewed. **S. White will follow-up with SEABHS to have them assist with the grant writing.**
- **D. Walker will follow-up with the movie theater to see if they would run the Montana and/or Partnership commercials and Valley Telecom to assess website options available to the Task Force.**
- June 9<sup>th</sup> J. Weaver and S. White will attend the County Juvenile Concerns Conference.
- L. Burgess would like to see the Task Force help the community move towards a drug-free work environment. D. Walker reports that NCCH, as a result of the Task Force, has already implemented a drug testing policy.

- D. Walker reports that the Partnership will have new meth PSAs come June/July. The Partnership is also planning to do a television meth special in Tucson and they will hopefully be contacting us to do an interview.
- The next meeting will be July 6<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.