

## METH TASK FORCE MEETING NOTES

September 7, 2006

Present: D. Bennett, M. Cronberg, V. Singer, D. Walker, J. Weaver, and S. White

- Welcomed Victoria Singer, Willcox High School counselor, and Dale Bennett, Willcox Middle School counselor to the task force.
- Grand Rounds, held at NCCH on Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, was well received. Drug Free Workplace presentation will be given at Simflo on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Meth presentation will be given to the WHS Freshmen on October 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be a mass casualty drill on October 14<sup>th</sup>. They are requesting a presentation on drugs to include what signs and symptoms to look for. **S. White will follow-up with the organizers of the drill and have them contact J. Weaver to make further arrangements. M. Cronberg will arrange an in-service with staff at the School district.**
- The Coalition had a biannual meeting in Phoenix. Unfortunately funds have been decreased and joined with the juvenile alcohol use prevention program.
- Discussed possible treatment opportunities. Kino will be opening a meth treatment facility. Discussed the possibility of utilizing the counselors available locally or the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) with NCCH for community outreach and education. **D. Walker to follow-up with Kino and the EAP.**
- Drug testing policy was approved by the Willcox School Board unanimously. The committee is now working on the procedure to implement the policy.
- S. White reports that the grants have been approved but the monies have not been distributed.
- D. Walker reports that the ER doctors at NCCH have received meth literature and that the Range News has published the Task Force's year end article.
- Reviewed the 2006 AZ Youth Survey results. Willcox's meth use was reportedly 3 times that of the state's use.
- Rachel's Challenge will be held on September 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Teen Maze will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The Red Ribbon Week occurs during the fall break and thus will extend into the following week, Oct. 23 – 31.
- Halloween Carnival will take place on Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> and the Task Force will have a booth.
- M. Lucke reports that he is running the PSAs in a regular rotation. He has sent out over 10 copies of "The Poem." **J. Weaver will follow-up with M. Lucke to create some more PSAs.**
- WASA will purchase educational meth literature, for \$99, from the Hazeldon catalogue.
- The next meeting will be October 5<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at the WPD.