

HC-HK Coalition Minutes  
April 13, 2011

Call to order: By Co-Chairman Seth Nuzum at 8:00AM for the Meet and Greet portion of the meeting. Our guest was Jim Bucko of The Riverhouse. The regular meeting was called to order at 8:15

Members Present: Kate Glendon, Seth Nuzum, Eileen Lawrence, Cheryl Chandler, Lisa Mason, Ernie Negler, Laurin Franco, Jason Weintstein, Anna Shultz, Ali Rodman, Giana DeNisi, John Westerholm, Doug Sumner, Kitty Dornfeld, Mark Torello, Linda Kauffman, Tanya Moriarity, Carol Dupuis, Keith Lyke, Susan Dean, Jim Connelly, Matt Ward, Gail Powell, Kristin Stolen, and Michelle Strom,

Minutes of last meeting: Distributed by email prior to meeting. Motion to accept was made and seconded. Minutes were accepted as read.

Announcements from Kate:

1. Drug Take Back flyers are available for distribution. Event will be at Killingworth Town Hall on April 30 from 10-2. Volunteers needed to pass out flyers at Killingworth Transfer Station on April 23. Jim C. will check on distributing at Haddam TS, as it hasn't been allowed in past.
2. Social Norms yard signs are ready. Sign up sheet passed.
3. Haddam Finance Committee meeting this evening at 7:00 in the Haddam Town Hall Annex. Our grant is ending in 2013. It would be helpful to have a show of support.
4. May 21, the Coalition will have a fundraiser selling hot dogs at Killingworth True Value. Volunteers will be needed.
5. The Coalition website is now separate from Y & FS. The access is at [www.hc-hk.org](http://www.hc-hk.org)
6. We will have an extra meeting this year on July 20.

Speaker: Kitty Dornfeld, who has been doing an internship with Y & FS, gave a presentation developed by her and Linda Kauffman, regarding power drinks. A copy of the power point slides was distributed. Several of the products were on display and passed around for members to read the labels. The presentation was very informative. Jim C. asked if they are allowed in school. Susan Dean, BOE member will check on that. There was discussion and members shared anecdotes. Eileen reported that an effort would be made to educate students and parents, perhaps through a TV program on local access channel.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

SOCIAL NORMS: Kate reported that the new posters re; student smoking were put up. Stress balls were given out at lunch. Next poster campaign will be related to marijuana. Students said that other students are noticing the posters.

EDUCATION: Eileen reported that the parent nights were successful. The committee is looking at doing a series on wellness issues to be presented on TV 18. Planning is going on for the summer Movie Night and there is ongoing discussion about doing an educational program for athletes and parents.

OUTREACH: Doug reported that the committee continues looking at the issue of future sustainability. There is a revised information sheet in the packet with reports. Last month's Meet and Greet was successful and efforts continue to attract more folks.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES: Cheryl reported that the Y & FS Board of Directors invited the Coalition Chairpersons to attend a Board meeting. Lauren Franco, Y & FS Intern reported that her groups are going well. The Grief group will be on Mondays @ 1:30 PM. @ **Saybrook at Haddam**.

SCHOOLS/BOE: Susan Dean reported that the school budget referendum is on May 3, 2011. She said the Superintendent regrets he could not be at the meeting today. There is a public welcoming reception for him at the H-KMS on April 26 from 5:30-7:30 PM.

MCCSAC: Lisa Mason reported that there is ongoing progress on the Social Host Awareness program including acknowledging the fact that most homes do NOT serve. They are working with Cheryl and local pharmacists on a presentation regarding prescription drug abuse. They are also working on a presentation for area coaches. She also mentioned the MADD website, the information and the interactive program available on it.

CIVIC: Jason Weinstein reported that the Lions and KWO are co-sponsoring a wine tasting fundraiser for the Killingworth Library on April 30.

### Youth Groups:

Students for Change: announced winners of their awards for random acts of kindness on RSD 17

GLASS: no report

Youth in Action: Anna reported the can drive for the Shoreline Food Pantry was very successful. They are sponsoring a dodge ball tournament on May 27.

GIVE: no report

MS SADD: no report

HS SADD: Working on the mock car crash to be held between the Jr. and Sr. prom dates for the senior class.

Habitat for Humanity: Ali reported that they are working on obtaining a campus chapter.

LEOS: this Sat. the group will be planting trees at the Killingworth Town Hall.

Door prize drawing winners were: Hyacinth plant to Tanya Morianity and Subway gift card to Giana DeNisi

Adjournment: meeting adjourned at approx. 9:05

Next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2011, 8:00 AM at the H-KHS conference room.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Dupuis