



Enforcement Team

Meeting Notes

Wednesday, November 17, 2010 1:15-2:45 p.m.

Present: Dan Collins (Faribault Police Department); Becky Ford (Faribault Drug-Free Communities grant); Dave Osborne (Morristown Police Department); Neal Pederson (Faribault Police Department); Pat Parlin (Northfield Area Learning Center); Zach Pruitt (Northfield Healthy Community Initiative); Kathy Sandberg (Rice County Family Services Collaborative); Tori Stewart (Rice County Attorney's Office); Jessica Wolf (Project Home)

Minutes Approval

The group reviewed and approved the minutes from October (Collins moved, Osborne seconded). **Becky will post the notes to the Enforcement Team webpage.**

Agency Updates:

Law Enforcement –

Faribault Police: No underage drinking parties to report. The department has had a couple of pursuits where the suspects were found to be in possession of drugs. Faribault is doing another round of compliance checks and is spreading them out to deter license holders from calling each other as a warning. Faribault Tobacco has again failed a tobacco compliance check. That business is also known to sell synthetic marijuana.

Currently, statewide data is being collected regarding synthetic marijuana to be submitted to the federal Drug Enforcement Agency.

Northfield Police: No one present to report.

Morristown Police: Quiet in Morristown. There has been some jockeying with regard to support for law enforcement during and following the election.

Rice County Sheriff's Department: No one present to report.

Drug Task Force: They remain busy. They have been buying prescription pills lately. Meth and cocaine are still active with meth sales becoming prevalent again. One of the suppliers arrested at the *Days Inn* recently pled guilty and will be sentenced to 70 months. There have been several strong prosecutions lately on drug-related charges.

Rice County Attorney's Office - Tori reported that the Segovia case that was set for trial this week has been postponed. The defendant is not interested in a plea so the trial will be re-set. In the Smith provider case, the defendant was given community work service hours. Several other provider cases will be coming through soon including Ben Kubinski, Ryan Melchert, and Samuel Hill. The plea hearing for Mitch Bongers has been reset for December 3rd. There are also several CVO/CVH charges in the system or soon to be in the system.

Tori mentioned that at the state level, leaders are attempting to get other substances such as huffing and prescription drugs to be included in DWI charges.

Rice County Community Corrections – No one present to report.

Schools

Northfield ALC: Pat reported that they are identifying students more quickly this year who need treatment or some other kind of support around substance use. Sarah Shippy is still providing support to students. Because

students are getting help, Pat reported that she has seen a change in the environment at the ALC. Bringing in drug dogs is under consideration for the parking lot since the school doesn't have lockers.

Zach reported that HCI will host a meeting next week of Northfield schools to discuss cyberbullying and sexting. Neal mentioned the Net Smarts training that Lisa Petricka attended and has been doing locally.

No other schools were present to report.

Social Host Ordinance

Tori reported that she spoke with Paul and Terry and there is agreement on the ordinance draft for moving forward with Rice County, Faribault and Northfield. Jason Schmidt told Dan that he is not interested in bringing the Social Host Ordinance to the Lonsdale City Council at this time. Dan is going to send it to the city attorney firm; Tori will provide an electronic copy to Dan Collins. Dan is aiming for the work session on December 21, but it may wait until the new administrator starts. He seems to think that the council will likely be supportive. The group thought that Sheriff Cook will want to bring the ordinance before the commissioners very soon. There will be opportunities for public support through the council/board processes.

The Social Host Ordinance flyer has been printed. There are 500 copies available currently, but more can be printed. The group suggested that the flyers be included with the ordinance in council members'/commissioners' packets. The group suggested that the Social Host Ordinance flyer also be mailed to Gordy Mincke and Jason Schmidt. Also, the website information will "go live" very soon since decision makers seem to know the ordinances are coming.

Kathy, Becky and Zach will touch base with Dick and Mark to identify dates when community support should come forward.

Other Issues:

No other issues were brought up.

Next Meeting Date:

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Rice County Government Services Building, Room 3A
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.***