

LAWRENCE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ALLIANCE  
MINUTES  
March 22, 2011  
5:00 P.M.

Present: Carol Chamberlain, Chairperson  
Steve Groeger, Recreation Superintendent  
Tonia Moore, LMTI  
Melody Powell, PEI Kids  
Kelly Nitti, Camp Fire  
Laurie Wilson, Project Graduation  
Rich Monacchio, Community Representative  
Susan Varga, Community Representative  
Guest Speaker: Carol Rickard, WellYOUiversity

Absent: Jim Kownacki, Council Liaison  
Betty Donahue, Coordinator  
Mark Ubry, Lawrence Township Police  
Margarita Leahy, Rider University

A. Stress Management Training by Carol Rickard, WellYOUiversity

Carol Rickard presented a program on stress management techniques. She offered tools to use to reduce stress and promote wellness within oneself. She provided several handouts for the LADA members to use as references. The program was both informative and entertaining.

B. Minutes

The minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved.

C. Grant Reports

Camp Fire – Classes are currently being conducted at Lawrenceville Elementary School and Eldridge Park School.

Project Graduation – Mr. LHS will be held on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the high school.

- Graduation is scheduled for June 17 at 7:00 p.m.
- Chevy's Night- Project Graduation will receive 25% of the sales for meals purchased through the Project Graduation program that evening.
- At Cheeseburger Cheeseburger 20% of sales will be donated.
- Chuckles Pizza will also be contributing 20% of sales to Project Graduation.
- The group is also soliciting corporate fundraising.

LMTI – On April 30<sup>th</sup> LMTI will be sponsoring the Spring Fun Fest from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. It will be held at Lawrence High School. There will be fun and games for children 3 years – 8 years of age.

-Alcohol Awareness Month will be recognized by LMTI with a bulletin board and morning announcements with relevant facts about alcohol.

-Four Lawrence students have been selected to be counselors at LMTI this summer. The students are currently fundraising for the camp registration fees.

PEI Kids – The classes have been completed and PEI Kids will be preparing a report for the school administration. The report is expected to be completed by the end of April.

Coordinator – A calendar of events has been created. All grantees are asked to submit activities to be listed on the calendar throughout the year.

-The LADA is looking for a student to attend the meetings to record and type the minutes.

-The position of Alliance Coordinator is open. Anyone interested in the position should contact Carol Chamberlain for a copy of the job description.

DARE- No report

D. 2011 Grant Awards

The 2011 grant was approved and a shared service agreement has been written to execute the grant between Mercer County and Lawrence Township.

Grant awards were distributed to PEI Kids, Camp Fire Boys and Girls, Project Graduation and LMTI. The DARE program will also be awarded a grant for 2011. Other mini-grants were issued for the coordinator position, community awareness activities and training. Hard copies of the grant reporting forms were distributed to the grantees. An electronic copy of the grant reporting forms will be forwarded to all the grant recipients. The first quarter report is due April 1<sup>st</sup>.

E. Next Meeting – The next meeting date will be held Tuesday, April 26 at 5:00 p.m.

F. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Chamberlain  
Chairperson