

Safe Communities America Steering Committee Meeting

MINUTES

December 14th, 2009

Hammond City Council Chamber

314 E. Charles St.

Hammond, LA 70401

10:00AM

Meeting Convened: 10:10AM with Participant Sign In

1. Pledge of Allegiance led by Ronnie Schillage
2. Introduction of Meeting Participants
3. Review of Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion to accept minutes by Ronnie Schillage; 2nd by Camille Monioette; All in favor.
4. Review of S.C.A. Award to Madison, WI by Claude Maher
 - a. Claude explained their award to the group and suggested we look at it as a guide for our own application. Itasca, IL may be getting close to completing their application and earning their award. They have completed their site visit and are waiting to hear. It is important that we have measureable numbers and devices. Camille Monioette of ALU mentioned heavy lifting training as a measurable program. Jodie Powell mentioned that she has new software and can now access measureable crime statistics and will forward them to Claude. Ronnie Schillage states that they do a safety training/education(Risk Program) in the schools every year and that they do a pre and post test to measure what the children have learned. Bridget Baily mentions the life skills classes for Hammond (Tangipahoa Parish Schools) and that the Tangipahoa Parish School Board and TADAC also do the pre and post tests for the 6th & 9th grades. Terry Lynn Smith discussed a need for bicycle safety training and Ronnie Schillage stated that their Risk Program covers it. Terry Lynn Smith also states that Keep Hammond Beautiful would also like to help in the schools if needed other than discussing trash pickup. Discussion of Suicide Training at SLU, Claude mentioned a program he had on tape. The safety Ambassador Program was discussed by the Safety Council. Terry Lynn also mentioned that the City of Hammond Master Plan should be complete by August and that it will address public safety on our streets. The Mock Train Derailment was also recently done and involved all emergency personnel/response for parish. Bridget Baily with TRACC said that DWI/DUI Sobriety and Seatbelts Stats were gathered to help get funding for grants. Camille Monioette stated that SLU has seatbelt safety training and can monitor results to get data if needed. Claude suggested that we see if Heidi Kinchen with the Daily Star could attend our meetings to cover it in the press. Team Hammond was discussed and reviewing workman's comp claims or stats on claims. Bridget Baily with TRACC said the 2006 data could be used as a baseline. The Safety Council asked what our deadline is. Claude said there is no date set yet but typically takes about 9 months to complete and submit the application. Bridget Baily asked if we could submit it in parts as we complete each section of the application. Claude said he would call and find out.
5. Update of Stakeholders
 - a. Claude handed out the updated list - Review of list of Stakeholders applications still pending and incomplete. Review and update of list. Various updates to Contacts and follow-up person on list were made. Removed Dept of Health & Hospitals from list, and will try Veronica with Tommy's Locks & Alarm. Jodie said she would follow up with Kendra Knight's persons she was to contact to see if any progress had been made. Need to add TPSO to the list. Bridget will contact TADAC again about Anger Management program. Need another phone number for Speed Stiel to give to Claude maybe a cell phone number. Claude got DEQ info but may need different information. Terry Lynn will try Holly Smith again. Claude will try to contact Ms. George again with Frances Special Services. Ronnie/Bridget will both try to keep contacting North Oaks for stats for both the employee side and the public side. Lallie Kemp needs to be added to the list as well and Heidi needs to be contacted about the Daily Star's staff training. City Council needs to be combined with the City of Hammond on the List. Terry Lynn will contact the Hammond Chamber again.
6. Update of Action Plan
 - a. Action items were discussed in the review of item #'s 4 & 5.
7. Set Next Meeting Date
 - a. January 11th, 10:00AM, Hammond City Council Chamber
 - b. Confirmed with City – Date set.
8. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 11:15AM