

MADC Meeting Minutes February 18, 2016

General Meeting 4:05pm:

- 1. Welcome / Introduction: Cheryl Mulvihill
- 2. Approval of Minutes: Stephany Galbreaith
 - a. Motion by Mike Johnson, second by Officer Rhoades
- 3. School Resource Officer Update: Officer Rhoades and Officer Payne
 - I. RX, Marijuana, vapes are the most concerning within Middle and High Schools
 - II. Tobacco related offenses are trending
 - III. Students have the perception that vapes are safer than cigarettes
 - IV. Cloud 9; can be purchased by adults but teens are talking about it
- 4. Discussion on impaired driving: Corporal Frasier
 - a. DRE: Drug Recognition Experts are specially trained officers who can identify and determine if an individual is under the influence, other than alcohol.
 - b. DRE's assist a regular patrol officer through a series of standardized tests
 - c. See attached fact sheet on Meridian's DRE Program
 - d. In 2015 32% of our DUI toxicology results indicated the presence of Cannabis (up from 5% in 2012)
 - e. MADC is the education component of the DRE's efforts
- 5. Update on legalization of Marijuana: Monte Stiles
 - a. Pro marijuana advocates believe "If we regulate it the drug cartels will go away and we can keep it out of the kids hands"
 - b. Legalization issues relates to everything we are doing
 - c. Because of the normalization of drugs, it's more difficult to be proactive and push education
 - d. Instead of proactive drug education, we are having to clean up the legalization of marijuana
- 6. Second Glance: Larry Lim
 - a. Overview: Criteria has been set up for dental work... essay and interview process. Once all denture work is complete for the individual they must go through job training. Dental work will be donated by dentists, however there are other costs. Roughly \$1,200 per person for this program. So far we have had two successful clients.
 - b. Please submit application or reach out to Larry if you know anyone that could use this program
 - c. 3 or 4 clients per dentist each year... we would like more dentists for this program
- 7. Community Outreach Efforts: Cheryl Mulvihill
 - a. Teens & Substance Abuse: 2/25, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17
 - I. Free and open to public, need to register <u>http://drugfreeidaho.org/index.html</u>
 - II. Topics for presentations include drug use trends, Heroine, Marijuana, RX Drugs, and youth involvement

The Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition's mission is to strengthen our community through substance abuse prevention.



- III. A panel discussion will be held after presentation
- b. Kiwanis Presentation 2/10
 - I. Educated local business owners about our efforts
- c. Reality Party 4/23
- d. Prescription Drug Take Back 4/30 @ Village Parking Lot
 - I. Looking to partner with a shredding company for a "Free Shred Day"
- 8. Open Discussion/remarks:
 - a. Mike Johnson- Working on a submission for his upcoming board meeting to discuss all of the materials that we go over as a coalition. Also, Officer Gomez will be presenting for a group of 30 youth reps on current drug issues.
 - b. Peter Vasquez- Tattoo Removal Program available for those who need it. Would like some agenda time for next meeting.
 - c. Home Town Hero Award: presented to Monte Stiles

Meeting Adjourned at 5:10pm