

Suicide **Prevention** Council Meeting
February 15, 2007
Madison Center Mtg Room **EAST**
12:00 noon

AGENDA

Present: Abbee Smith, Laura Medow, Bonnie Strycker, Kevin Large, Ann Thomas, Diane Johnson-Prosser

1. Introductions/ Council Roster Changes-

Robert W. Stewart will not be joining the council to assist with marketing after all, due to personal constraints

2. Minutes Approved

3. Business

- announcements: Next ASIST Workshop is March 15 and 16 - SJRMC *South Bend* Campus . Council members were asked to put in agency newsletters/ announce via listservs to employees
- Yellow Ribbon Training- overview by Ann Thomas who recently returned from becoming certified. Ann reviewed several goals for Yellow Ribbon, including trying to tie into Peer Leadership and trying to encourage youth membership.
- Don Cronk has facilitated getting SPC website links on Mishawaka HS and Penn HS guidance websites.
- Stayin Afloat- new fundraising event has been decided to be held again this summer by Chris Krueger. Council members interested in participating in this celebration of life can contact Chris or Laura Medow

4. Youth Education / Workshop for Individuals Dealing with Youths

- distribution of educational materials to schools. Bonnie will meet with SB Community School Corporation. Earlier meeting was postponed.
- Youth Group activities. Laura will try to work with community youth leaders to see what current youth activities are taking place to see if there is a fit for suicide awareness and prevention activities, and to brainstorm on possible delivery methods.
- excellent discussion on workshop subject matter, possible titles for the workshop and speakers. John McIntosh is getting feedback from some of the leading national experts in the field as well to bring to the meeting.

Subject Matter to consider with a tie-in to teens

- Bullying (how to handle) for parents, teachers, professional, and youth
- Alienation
- Intolerance
- GSBT
- Cutting
- Sex/ Drugs
- Technology/internet
- Getting a Backbone when Raising Kids
- Connecting Behaviors with Consequences

Potential Conference Titles

- New Age Challenges for Youth
- Youth: Dealing With More Than Sex, Drugs, and Rock & Roll
- Building A Society Who is Less At Future Risk
- Negotiating with Teens/ Getting A Backbone

Potential Speakers

5. Announcements/ Other - none

NEXT MEETING: April 19, 2007 at noon, Madison Center Meeting Room East