

## **CHEC MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 3, 2023 4:00 – 5:00PM via Zoom**

### **Call to Order – J. Boehler**

J. Boehler called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

Welcome & Introductions – Present: T. Giordano, J. Boehler, R. Picone, N. Aniolek, S. McCarthy and Jenna T.

### **AHM Updates – T. Giordano**

- Upcoming events include free QPR/Narcan training May 8<sup>th</sup>, Spring Concert and Auction May 20<sup>th</sup>, Golf Tournament July 21<sup>st</sup> at Blackledge.
- AHM has been nominated as a finalist for the Red Sox Foundation Impact Award. Vote! \$10,000 award to support programming.
- Wrapping up spring programs and planning summer programs.
- HVAC component being moved from the attic to outside the building-will result in short break in programming.
- Posting for a full-time therapist.

### **SOAR Update-Jenn**

- Last weeks meeting had 4 students plus a new member. Discussed activities from last year and how to move forward next year. Members would like to help students transitioning from 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Old Business**

#### **• National Take Back Day – Jenn**

Due to a scheduling conflict the event scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> was canceled.

#### **Making our Communities Smoke Free Just Breath Signage – Jenn**

- J. Boehler spoke to Eric Anderson in Andover and he will present the idea of the “Just Breath Signs” to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- **AHM Project Graduation Fundraisers - Jenn**  
J. Boehler reported graduation signs are still available. The Simply Soy fundraiser will continue through May 12<sup>th</sup>. “Tip a musician fundraiser” currently has 4 groups and will

be held at the Flour Girl Café June 2<sup>nd</sup> 11 – 2:00. She has spoken with Gina Marie’s regarding a potential fundraiser there in the fall. Project Graduation registration continues through May 30<sup>th</sup>. It will be held again at Revolutions in South Windsor.

- **Prevention Panel Discussion - Jenn**

To be held on September 28<sup>th</sup> at AHM Youth and Family Services. Involves law enforcement officer, medical doctor, two members from Governor’s Prevention Partnership and Vicky Adams from Southern CT State University. Will be a way to educate families and students. Free ice cream 6-6:20 with program / discussion following. Encourage in-person participation. Will also be available via ZOOM and live streamed on Facebook.

- **Tabled Items Until Further Notice: Welcome to Reality-Community Voice Channel Interview, Marlborough Health & Safety Day, Today I Matter Poster Campaign and Possibility of a Public Forum/Legalization of Marijuana and Retail Establishments**

### **New Business**

- **Prevention Week**

To be held next week at RHAM High School during lunch waves. Will have the ‘wheel of fun’, flyers, craft table and free after school yoga. Each day has a different theme including alcohol, suicide prevention, cannabis and vaping. There will be a series of social media posts. Have online surveys they would like students to fill out. Will have a gift card drawing for those who fill out the survey.

- **“Today I Matter” Social Media Campaign planned**

Jenn to work with John Lally over summer to create a Facebook post honoring those in the community that have passed.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 4:26 P.M.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Pearson