

NORTH COASTAL PREVENTION COALITION
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8:00 a.m.

Minutes of the General Membership
Thursday, November 18, 2010

Community Rooms
Oceanside Civic Center
300 N. Coast Highway, OSD

Attendance:

Aaron Byzak, UCSD Health Sciences/NCPC Board President
Margie O'Hern, Oceanside Resident/NCPC Treasurer
John Lundblad, City of Oceanside/NCPC Board Member
Leonard Mata, OPD/NCPC Board Member
Ray Pearson, Carlsbad Rotary/NCPC Board Secretary
Maria Russell, ENA/NCPC Board Member
Paul Savo, the Fellowship Center/NCPC Board Director
Ray Thomson, OHS/NCPC Board Director
Maria Yanez, VCC REACH Programs/NCPC Board Director
Kathy Valdez, City of Vista
Nancy Logan, San Dieguito Alliance for Drug Free Youth
Randy E. Johnson, Holiness Ministry Coalition, Inc.
Bishop Foley Parker, Holiness Ministry Coalition, Inc.
Candyce Yee, Supervisor Bill Horn's Office
Nannette Stamm, VCC/STOP Grant
Erica Leary, VCC/NCPC Program Manager
Carmela Muñoz, Prevention Specialist, ENA Leadership Project
Dannah Hosford, VCC Tobacco Control Programs
Jim Provenza, Oceanside Police & Fire Commission
Michelle Davis, Oceanside Resident
Debbie Obregon, VCC/NCPC Admin.

I. Welcome and Introductions – Aaron Byzak, President:

The meeting was brought to order at 8:05 a.m. Self-introductions were made, giving names and organizations represented and new attendees welcomed.

II. Approval Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2010:

Meeting minutes were approved as presented.

III. Treasurer's Report – Margie O'Hern:

Margie reported NCPC general account balance at \$5684.01; ENA balance at \$1063.49. Membership dues are being accepted for 2011: \$25/individual, \$50 per organization. If needed, please contact Debbie Obregon for an invoice. Thank you for your ongoing support.

IV. Discussion Items:

- *2011 Board of Directors Election:* Aaron and Erica reviewed NCPC's annual BOD election process. There are five open slots (two year terms) plus two alternate positions (one year terms) for 2011; no term limits for board members and self-nominations are welcome. Completing terms in December: Fred Becker, Ray Machado, Leonard Mata, Paul Savo, Ray Thomson, John Lundblad (alternate) and Maria Russell (alternate). At the preceding BOD meeting, current board members with terms ending in December were asked if they would accept nominations for re-election to the 2011 board. All, with the exception of Ray Machado (not in attendance) agreed. Aaron Byzak, Ray Pearson, and Erica Leary volunteered to sit on the Nominations Committee and will be responsible for developing a slate with additional nominees for consideration, approval, and final election at the December GM meeting. If you are interested in filling one of the open slots, please contact a committee member.
- *The National Children's Study:* Aaron reported that he and Erica attended an informational/planning meeting of the City of Oceanside's Neighborhood Advisory Council for the National Children's Study (NCS). Aaron distributed some informational handouts and briefly explained how the study will be administered in the tri-city areas. This study is a nationwide effort tracking different factors affecting children ages birth to 21 years; 100k will be enrolled across the country and it is the largest long-term study ever done. San Diego County has been chosen to participate because of the location, diverse population, and the number of children born here each year. Meetings with community leaders in the tri-cities are now being held to garner support for the study, and staffers will soon be out in Oceanside neighborhoods enrolling study participants. Pregnant women or women planning to have children in the future and who live in the designated neighborhoods, can sign up to be part of the study. The NCS is looking at the effects of environmental influences on the overall health and development of children with a goal to improve the health and well-being of children. This comprehensive study will be looking at many factors including, natural and

man-made environmental factors, biological and chemical factors, physical surroundings, social factors, behavioral influences, genetics, culture and family influences, and geographic location. For more information, visit the study's official website at www.nationalchildrensstudy.gov

- *December Presentation:* Newly elected/seated city council members and officials, school board members, and TCMC board members will be invited to attend the December general membership meeting. NCPC members will be allotted time to present a brief overview on their agency/organization. It was agreed that program staff will develop an NCPC PowerPoint presentation with a 2-slide allocation for each NCPC member agency/collaborative partner. This will be an opportunity for members to introduce themselves and discuss emerging issues to be addressed by NCPC in 2011.
- *Fiscal Management:* Aaron asked if anyone had knowledge of a CPA or Financial Advisor who might be willing to assist NCPC (pro bono) with annual tax preparation and required filing. Our current contact has left the area. Please contact Debbie if you have any names or contacts.

V. Strategic Planning Revisited: Aaron Byzak:

Aaron reported that the Strategic Plan review/update will be concluded in January. He asked members to review the strategic plan executive summary on the NCPC website and be prepared to discuss work plan goals. Members will determine if revisions are needed and decide where NCPC wants to concentrate prevention efforts in 2011.

VI. Membership Announcements:

- Ray Thomson reported that Occupational Health Services has received approval to provide Responsible Server Training both in English and Spanish. Class schedules are being set and will be announced soon.
- Dannah Hosford, VCC Tobacco Control Programs, reported that Youth Coalition members will be doing store assessments/stings to determine access to tobacco and the availability of "spice." Erica added that Dannah has a great group of dedicated students from Vista High School participating with the youth coalition this year. Their prevention efforts were recently recognized by the Vista City Council, proclaiming November 10 "North Coastal Prevention Youth Coalition Day." Erica also regretfully noted that the Vista Planning Commission voted unanimously to allow Walgreens to sell beer and wine.
- Dannah noted that the youth are planning other upcoming prevention activities including alcohol/energy drink assessments, and thanks to an anonymous donation of a Flip Video Camera, they will be working on a documentary/PSA regarding the reduction of residential street lights in Vista neighborhoods and how they feel this will impact the crime rate.
- Nancy Logan reported that the San Dieguito Alliance will host its annual Hispanic Network Breakfast on Friday, December 3, 7:30 a.m., at the Carlsbad Police Department – Safety Center. Please contact Nancy or Judi Strang for details.
- Nancy Logan reported that La Costa Canyon High School/Teens for Teen Safety are partnering with SDA to present a town hall forum on Tuesday, December 7, 6-7:30 p.m. The student-led forum will include a panel of guest speakers discussing the consequences of drug and alcohol abuse from their personal and professional experiences.
- Candyce Yee, Supervisor Bill Horn's Office, noted that there is an opening on the Social Services Commission.
- Paul Savo, The Fellowship Center, reported that he had three openings for Drug Addiction Counselors. Also noted the North County Alliance for Regional Solutions will open its first winter homeless shelter at the Bread of Life Rescue Mission on December 1.
- Jim Provenza announced that there would be no meetings of the Oceanside Police and Fire Commission in November and December; the next scheduled meeting is January 20, 2011.
- Michelle Davis reported the Friends of the Oceanside Library are hosting a Holiday Home Tour Fundraiser on December 12.
- John Lundblad reminded members that during this difficult economy and holiday season, if there is a family that is in need of food or help with rent, there are available resources through the City of Oceanside. Please contact John for more information.
- Maria Russell, Eastside Neighborhood Association, announced that the annual La Posada event will be held on December 17, from 6-8:30 p.m. at J. Balderrama Park in Oceanside. The event is open to all and will include the La Posada procession, caroling, photos with Santa, and food for sale. Come out and join the fun.
- Leonard Mata, Oceanside Police Department, reported that a secure collection box for unwanted Rx drugs has been installed in the lobby at OPD office. A press release will be published announcing the installation and location.
- **Optional: Members are invited to participate in the annual NCPC "Holiday Cookie Exchange" at the December GM meeting. Bring your favorite holiday treat to share with NCPC members and take a sample to share with your family or office staff – YUM!**

VII. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. **Next general membership meeting will be held Thursday, January 13, 2011 from 8:00-9:00 a.m., SD County HHSA North Coastal Regional Offices, 1701 Mission Avenue, Oceanside**

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Obregon
on behalf of Secretary Ray Pearson, Secretary

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