Minutes of the General Membership/City Council Candidate Forum

8:00 a.m.
Thursday, October 11, 2018
Oceanside Senior Center
Community Room
455 Country Club Lane
Oceanside, CA 92054

Attendance:
Craig Balben, Oceanside Resident/NCPC President
Nannette Stamm, Vista Community Clinic/NCPC Board Secretary
Ray Pearson, Carlsbad School Board/NCPC Board Director
Diane Strader, Oceanside Resident/NCPC Board Director
Erica Leary, VCC/NCPC Program Manager
Carmela Muñoz, VCC/NCPC Prevention Specialist
Kelly McCormick, San Dieguito Alliance
Malcolm Warfield, CPD
Ignacio Lopez, OPD
Jennifer Martinez-Torres, City of Oceanside/Neighborhood Services
Lauren Pallasisgui, VCC Tobacco Control Programs
Miriam Avilez, VCC Tobacco Control Programs
Haley Guiffrida, VCC Tobacco Control Programs
Vicki MacHale, Guest
Lisa McKethan, Guest
Rick Numrich, Guest
John Byrom, VCC/NCPC
Debbie Obregon, VCC/NCPC Admin. Asst.

I. Welcome and Introductions: Craig Balben, President.
The meeting was brought to order at 8:15 a.m.

2019 Board Elections will be held at the December 13 general membership meeting. There are four 2-year terms open and also two alternate/1-yr. terms. Please contact Craig or any board member if you are interested in filling a position. Thank you.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes: September 13, 2018:
Item deferred to November 8 meeting.

III. Treasurer’s Report: Aaron Byzak, Treasurer:
Item deferred to November 8 meeting.

IV. Program Updates: No discussion.

V. City Council Candidate Forum:
The following list of city council candidates attended:

Carlsbad:
Cori Schumacher (Mayoral Candidate)
Linda Breen (Carlsbad District 1)
Barbara Hamilton (Carlsbad District 1)
David McGee (Carlsbad District 1)
Priya Bhat-Patel (Carlsbad District 3)
Corrine Busta (Carlsbad District 3)

Oceanside:
Susan Custer (Oceanside District 1)
Michael Odegaard (Oceanside District 1)
Esther Sanchez (Oceanside District 1)
Dana Corso (Oceanside District 2)
Larry Kornit (Oceanside District 2)
Kristopher Kagan (Oceanside District 2)
Vista:
John Aguilera (Vista District 1)
Dominic D’Agostino (Mayoral Candidate)

Craig Balben, NCPC President, welcomed and thanked all of the candidates for attending. Each candidate was invited to introduce themselves and to share a brief opening statement. Candidates were then asked to answer the following questions:

1. What do you believe are the biggest substance use challenges facing youth (i.e. alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, and other drugs)?
2. How do you feel youth substance use can best be prevented?

The group presentation/discussion was followed by a Q&A session with NCPC members and then a closing comment from each candidate.

Craig again thanked all of the candidates for taking time out of their busy election schedule to attend and participate in this forum. He added that NCPC was grateful for the opportunity to share our mission with the candidates and to hear their perspectives on preventing youth substance use.

VI. Adjourn:
The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Next scheduled general membership meeting is Thursday, November 8, 2018, 8-10 a.m., Oceanside Senior Center Community Room, 455 Country Club Lane, Oceanside, 92054. Please contact Debbie if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Obregon on behalf of Nannette Stamm, Secretary