

Drug Free Communities Committee  
Stakeholders Meeting – November 14, 2019  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Cheryl Doucette at 1:10 p.m..

Previous meeting minutes will be approved with November minutes at the December meeting.

**Action Items:**

- Discussed Delaware Goes Purple (DGP) campaign in depth and asked for feedback.  
Results as follows:

Name	Positive/What Went Well	Improvements, Suggestions
Nancy Mears	More coordinated due to extra planning; loved that the CH event was in a centrally located location. Panel at Day of Hope was one of the best!!	No concerns from their perspective; would love the UD to go purple, will continue trying, but it's difficult.
Lynne Betts	Gratitude w/ support of the DEGP JLT; Seaford Goes Purple; Upward Bound Math & Science at DTCC	
Connections Seaford		Trying to do more next year within Seaford Connections
Quiana Dorn	DBH went purple at both locations; talked about some things they could do better to engage staff	Looking for more staff participation and trying to get them involved. CH event was good but his message was the exact same so there was a lack of connection. Look for a new or different speaker. Desire to keep things in Sussex if possible, b/c it feels like we always have to bring everything up north. Break into groups to get together sooner to plan.
Crystal Timmons		Coordinate with the mental health aspect
Sgt. Niehoff		Good point of contact for NCC, Face the Facts; work with attack addiction and work with a funeral home up in NCC , Lighthouse project prevention coalition; Dr. part of sed 4 C; he owns the 30 for 30 rights to that and a different perspective from

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Kristy Handley	Use some best practices from events	Get the word out, what is DGP; committees within each county to provide more awareness and recognition
Sharon Harrington		Keep it going year-round; Sector champions – hospitals, schools, sites, etc.
Seaford PD	Great that there is more awareness and this partnership and want to continue the relationship	
Pastor Dan		Put drug prevention into the purple meaning so people know what it means to help make the connection
Jeff Benson	Event gathering/turnout was great	How to get feedback from DSU students who attended

- Brain storming/thoughts for 2020 campaign. Keep this in mind and we want you to be prepared to get engaged and to come up with other ideas for same!
- Nancy Mears update on Botvin. SCHC promised continued support for this training. Looking to start earlier around 5<sup>th</sup> grade age. Feedback overall was positive for the training and implementation. Management of time was only real negative hang-up. UD is committing to this prevention work; posted for a prevention specialist position statewide; housed in the 4H sector, with a special emphasis on opioid prevention. Community support offering. Volunteers implemented as well statewide. Volunteer training for the Spring for 2020 in the community – probably in Dover but may be one in Sussex if there are enough participants.

**Partner Updates:**

- Seaford PD – receiving purple car today and then it will be wrapped – Christmas parade should be the unveiling if all goes well.
- Bicycle ministry from Pastor Dan – have bicycles to donate to those in need of transportation.
- DHSS Faith Based Initiative – DHSS is offering assistance for those looking to open a faith based nonprofit (update provided by Pastor Dan).

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. @ Pizza King, Seaford, DE.