

LCAHY Community Board Meeting
November 29, 2021
Hybrid Meeting: Hilton Head High School Media Center and Zoom Option

Meeting called to order 6:00 pm by Chair Wendy Cummings

Attendance: Wendy Cummings (Schools/THY Cross Schools co-advisor), Francine Tobin (Government Agency/Solicitor's Office), Dr. Loretta Novince (DFC/LCAHY Consultant), Sydney Wood (Schools/HH Prep THY Advisor), Cassie Cohen (Schools/HH Prep THY Advisor), Pastor Cibele Santos (Faith-Based Organization), Galen Sturup (Substance Abuse Agency/BCADAD), Wade Bishop (Substance Abuse Agency/BCADAD), David Martin (Business/Piggly Wiggly), Joy Nelson (Media and May River THY Advisor), David Burke (Health Care/Burke's Pharmacy), Jim Berl (Youth Serving Organization/Island Rec.), Col. Lance Puryear (Law Enforcement/Bluffton Police/SRO), Jill DelGuercio (Schools/HHCA THY Advisor), Craig Washington (Law Enforcement, Beaufort County Sheriff/SRO), Florentina Hartley (Schools/Hilton Head HS THY Advisor), Ashley Ames (Youth/Hilton Head HS THY Member), Kylie Nelson (Youth/May River THY Member), Abby White (Youth/May River THY Member), Rachel Pesatoro (Youth/May River THY Member), Quin Monahan (Youth/Hilton Head HS THY Member), Cheryl Rodriguez/Zoom (Parent/Bluffton High School), Mariah Kinnie/Zoom (Schools/May River HS THY Advisor) *Staff:* Laura Pirkey (DFC Grant Project Director/THY Coordinator/Bluffton HS THY Advisor), Rachel La Roe Kasal/Zoom (DFC Grant Support Staff)

Minutes: October 18, 2021 meeting minutes approved with edits made.

Celebration/Face to Face Board Meeting: Wendy Cummings welcomed the Board to the first Community Board meeting held since COVID-19. While the Board enjoyed refreshments, she applauded their efforts and recognized Rachel LaRoe Kasal for donating the LCAHY logo tote bags. Rachel, now DFC Support Staff, donated the bags prior to COVID through her business which creates promotional materials. In previous years, through supplies/promotional materials ordered through her company, she became aware and supportive of LCAHY's mission/vision and donated 150 tote bags to be used for the purpose of LCAHY branding/awareness. Each Board member in attendance received a tote bag, which included the LCAHY and THY brochures; two educational booklets: *Marijuana: Facts Parents Need to Know* and *Marijuana Facts for Teens*, an E-Cigarette fact card; and LCAHY promotional items, a pen and hand sanitizer.

Announcements: Wendy reminded Board members to open the attachments to meeting notices. And, further stated that the 12-Month Action Plan was again attached and the Board would have an opportunity to sign up for several activities/committees, which are earmarked to be completed by September 29, 2022, the end of the 5-year DFC grant cycle. ([See link to Ad-Hoc Committee sign-up.](#)) Dr. Novince stressed that a number of activities in the 12 Month Action Plan would require the collaborative efforts of all 12 sectors represented on the Board.

Introductions: Wendy, asked Board members to introduce themselves and their sector representation.

Meeting Objective: Using the 7 Strategies of Community Change, Dr. Novince facilitated Board input around brainstorming interventions to 1) Reduce Youth Access to Marijuana and 2) Reduce Youth Approval of marijuana use. ([See link attached in meeting notice to Marijuana Logic Models, working documents, 1\) Reduce Youth Access to Marijuana and 2\) Reduce Youth Approval of Use.](#))

Teens for Healthy Youth:

Bluffton Christmas Parade: Laura Pirkey, THY Coordinator, announced that THY will march in the Bluffton Christmas Parade on Saturday, and THY members can sign up. Dec. 7th 2021 per Laura Pirkey. Suicide Prevention Walk: Jill DelGercio reported there was a good turnout of THY members representing their respective schools. The THY/LCAHY information table was staffed by THY members. THY Prevention Plus Wellness Program: Ashley Ames, Hilton Head HS THY vice-president, gave an update on the implementation of the PPW program at HHIHS and stressed the importance of addressing mental health. Rx Take Back Day: Galen stated that THY members were a big help at the Rx Take Back Day. Representatives passed out the LCAHY Rx Take Back Location cards and assisted with distributing additional resources to individuals who dropped off meds, which were collected by Beaufort County Sheriff's officers.

Town Proclamations: Wendy reported on two proclamations issued by Hilton Head and Bluffton Town Councils both for October National Medical Abuse Month. We will also submit a Proclamation for National Drunk, Drugged, Driving Month.

Hilton Head Vaping Ordinance Update: Wendy will follow-up with the Hilton Head Town Attorney regarding including vaping in the existing Smoking Ordinance.

Meeting Adjourned: 8 pm.

Next Community Board Meeting: A meeting will not be held in December; next meeting will be in January 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Francine Norz Tobin
Recording Secretary