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Allentown-Upper Freehold Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse

Minutes for 8-26-2020, Upper Freehold Township Municipal Building

Members Present: Tia McLaughlin (Chair), Erica Torsiello (Vice Chair), Sherry Wright (Fund Raising), Craig Moon (Secretary), Bob O'Hare, Debbie Minnick (Coordinator)

New Business

The new five year cycle for funding begins on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and ends on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The budget for FY 2021 is now \$12,387.50. The budget last year was \$49,936.00 which represents reduction from last year due to the pandemic. The FY begins on October 1<sup>st</sup> and is only three quarters this year due to a state freeze on funds for the first quarter. The budget for this FY is \$9,910.00 in funds and \$2,477.50 in cash match. The expectation for FY 2022 is that the budget will not change much.

Alliance meetings going forward will not be held monthly due to budget cuts.

The only program the Alliance can do under current conditions is the Parents Who Host Lose the Most/Community Awareness. This unfortunately means that we will be unable to do the 7<sup>th</sup> grade programs or the Campfire programs. The possibility of Zoom encounters is going to be explored however.

The Daddy-Daughter Dance is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 pushed back from the original postponed date of October 1<sup>st</sup> which due to Covid could not have been held. The German-American Club has forwarded our deposit for the day in May. Depending on the status of the pandemic we may look at outdoor options also at the venue.

We are still able to hold our Mother-Son bowling event and the Car and Motorcycle shows.

The Health and Wellness Program is still on track for October. A Word or PDF document will be going out with a link for a site which promotes health and wellness.

The Rec Committee in association with the AHS student council is looking into a Movie Night for October. The Alliance will look into coordinating with those two groups and provide some handout pamphlets and possibly have an on screen flyer.

Next meeting tentatively will be October 13<sup>th</sup> at a site TBD.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Upper Freehold-Allentown Municipal Alliance is dedicated to promoting safe, healthy, and responsible lifestyles through community partnerships, campaigns, and substance abuse educational programming.