



Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Plan Party Responsible
Members Present	Richard Scott, Jan Bootsma, Bill Ewald, Mary Kuhn, Mark Raquet, Scott Washburn, Julie Wilbert, Melanie Keepman, Alison Sipkins, Molly Snuggerud, Shirley Snyder, Peggy Stefan, Paula Gamer, JoElle Ramsey (TC Staff) Imogen Davis, Bev Klesk	NA
Guests	SPAA/TLC Students: Alison McCarten, Katie Ness, Sarah Mitchell, Rachel Hedlund, and Sami Woolson	NA
Welcome & Introductions	Peggy Stefan, Acting Co-Chair, opened the meeting and introductions were made.	NA
Action Items		
Approval of minutes	Minutes for September Meeting were approved. Minutes for November Meeting were approved.	With a motion by Mark and seconded by Paula the September Meeting Minutes were approved. A motion by Mark, seconded by Scott and the November Meeting Minutes were also approved, with a date correction of February 20, 2008 for Keith Hawkins.
Officers and Voting Roster	Peggy Stefan was voted Vice Chair. Voting roster was approved.	Motion by Jan and seconded by Shirley Motion by Shirley and seconded by Mark.
FOCUS AREA 1: Expand community web of influence		
Membership Follow Up	This doesn't seem to be a focus priority at this time. Maybe revisit this sometime in the future.	
Next Meeting	It was decided to add an extra Tonka CARES meeting for the month of February. Everyone agreed on Valentines Day. (February 14, 2008)	
2007 Minnesota Student Survey	MSS Summary – Attachment Improvement in numbers are thought to be because of multiple factors and programs; Get Connected, etc.	Imogen will follow up to convene a meeting.



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	<p>Kudos to section workers. There will be better analysis at a later date. Then out for release pending Superintendants OK.</p>	
<p>Drug Free Communities Grant-Richard Scott</p>	<p>We will apply again this year in mid-March. Awards have increased in dollar amounts and to go to over 200 Coalitions this year. Create a task force for 1 or 2 meetings for Grant Interest. Some discussion included goals for Task Force, parent involvement vs. age of children, school climate changes, and alignment of process measures.</p>	
<p>FOCUS AREA 2: Support and Sustain Youth Leadership</p>		
<p>SPAA – Students Promoting Positive Alternatives/ TLC - Scott Washburn and student guests.</p>	<p>The SPAA group along with TLC members are involved in OIC (Operation Iraqi Children) The project was carried out with the involvement of middle and elementary Schools. They collected school supplies and sent packets to a firm in Kansas which in turn sent on to Iraq. Response was great! The only complaint was they needed bigger collection boxes. Great Effort!</p>	<p>Scott and will continue to work with the students and share information and planning discussions with the Tonka CARES task force.</p>
<p>It's Your Choice</p> <p>Youth Sports Ambassadors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This idea came from a 4-H program (a U of M extension program). The high school students who participate get really excited. They have an opportunity to really get to know the 6 or 7 middle school students in their small group. They discuss things like decision making, peer pressure, clicks, tobacco and alcohol use, and promote drug and alcohol free environments. • SPAA skits – Trial was done at Deephaven Elementary. The 5th graders made skits about cheating, tobacco, alcohol. The participation was very good. They would like to extend to more schools, time permitted. • (High School mentors). Plans are to nurture this program. Player Profile Cards were discussed. Questions and/or concerns included information privacy issues, e-mail addresses, etc. 	<p>Dave and Scott will continue to work with the Tonka Leadership Challenge and share updates and ideas with the Tonka CARES Task Force.</p>



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Questions and Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was discussion with students about: School dances; should there be contracts, random breathalyzers, and teacher vs. parent chaperones? All agreed that there were very few consequences, some dances were better chaperoned than others, there should be much more communication w/parents, and more effort into dance entrance policies/procedures. Availability of alcohol and marijuana; very easy to get marijuana easier than alcohol. Main providers are older siblings or friends. Again, all agreed parents were unaware and middle school parents specifically should be informed as the freshman students seem to be most vulnerable to peer pressure. 	
Get Connected -Peg Keenan	<p>Leadership nominations. -application process update. Upcoming Breakfast Crew: 2/1 Sophomores Kid's project. 2/8 Freshman Speaker/Band 180 Tour. Juniors-Keith Hawkins expanded program. Seniors-Senior selection process.</p>	Mary Kuhn or parent reps will continue to share information and joint planning between Get Connected and Tonka CARES.
FOCUS AREA 3: Strategies to Change Parental Norms and Attitudes		
Update: Website/Toolkit - Imogen	<p>The Tonka Cares website and Tool Kit is being upgraded and better organized. Paul Moore (past Minnetonka communications person) has provided Parent Tips for the Elem., Middle School and H.S. monthly newsletter and we have a verbal commitment with a website person.</p>	



Working Together to Reduce Illegal
Substance Use Among Our Youth!

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Just Encase Discussion	Just Encase has had a great response. Were not able to present at MGM because of legal sales issues. Alison Sipkins sent an e-mail to her contact at Walgreens (?)	
Upcoming Speakers Shirley	Keith Hawkins – February 20, 2008	
FOCUS AREA 5: Policy and Enforcement		
Policy sub-committee District policy update – Peggy Stefan	. The chemical use policy is currently being reviewed and updated by Dave Adney, Peggy Stefan and Scott Washburn.	
Police Liaison Officer Role – Mark Raquet	Mary would like to participate more, and Mark and Scott are working on ways to imbed her into existing programs.	
Policy Forum for Policy Makers- Imogen	Hennepin County is to sponsor Forum. Idea: To create an awareness of Lake Minnetonka underage drinking. “Rock the Boat” idea to include educating parents, tie in to other communities, local businesses, power squadron, water patrol. The committee thought this was a great idea and gave a ‘nod of approval’.	
Next Meeting	February 14, 2008	
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Attachments:		