

***Willcox Against Substance Abuse  
Board Meeting Minutes  
September 22, 2017 @ TA Truck Stop***

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Called to order at 12:20 by Co-Chair Kathryn Maddox conducting. Present: Kathryn, Roxy Roffey, Tim Bowlby, Sally White, Sam Lindsey, Rachel Garza,

**CALL TO PUBLIC:**

**APPROVAL/DISCUSSION OF AUGUST NOTES MINUTES:** As there were not enough members in attendance for a quorum of the entire committee, but there were enough Executive Committee members the format was changed to Executive Committee meeting so that business could be conducted. Attendance: Kathryn, Tim, Roxy, Gary, Rachel & Sally. Reports regarding Health & Wellness Fair and Summer Finale were accepted. Proposal passed to restore Youth Court as an out of school club to meet monthly with Gary Hatch as trainer/supervisor. Group notified of upcoming arrival of our VISTA volunteer and updates given regarding the HS/HW grant that employs Kathryn and Sally part-time as well as the new proposal for an Innovative Grant for \$50,000 per year for 2 years to Legacy Foundation for a Job Shadowing/Youth Mentoring Program (see under old business on today's agenda). Adriana's continued part-time employment was extended until Dec. 14. Discussion held regarding the letter of support for the school override request resulted in a decision to write the letter and submit it to Range News but rather than sign it as WASA, we will print the individual names of those who originally approved the letter or later contacted Sally and wanted their name to be used. Proposed payment schedule for 2018 Summer Camps was accepted on a motion by Tim, seconded by Gary and unanimous vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Presented by Roxy; approved on a motion by Tim, second by Sally and unanimous vote.

**INTRODUCTION OF VISTA VOLUNTEER – JOHANNA CURLEY**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Grants:

- > "Growing Healthier" for Elementary Garden awarded \$5000 by Legacy Foundation
- > "Standing Together" for Middle School – student support/bully prevention awarded \$2500 from Az Community Foundation
- > "12 Interning and Investing" LOI accepted this means our overall concept is good, now we will have to give quite a bit of backup proving we are capable of managing a grant of this size – must have final submission turned in by Oct. 12 - \$50,000 a year for 2 years for Job Shadowing & Mentoring - need letters of support.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- > Middle School HF/HY program: Program by the same governor's office that awarded the HS/HW grant at the high school (grant given Gov. Ducey due to the opioid crisis) WASA is not connected with this program other than as a resource which resulted in Sally, Johanna and

Adrianna helping introduce it in Willcox and Sally & Johanna traveling to Douglas to help them with the same resource table. Kathryn is grant director for the HS grant and the person to contact with any questions or ideas about it; Middle School is basically a parent involvement program run by Mr. Patterson & middle school staff.

> New Medical Consortium: this is a new program that was introduced through the area's Hospitals (Willcox, Benson, Bisbee, Safford and 1 Tucson hospital) to address the current opioid problem. Kathryn and Sam attended the introduction meeting at VTC Sally was unable to attend the introduction as she was receiving the Growing Healthier and Standing Together grants that day. Hospital asked specifically for WASA to sign on as a partner, which I did as our goals certainly match, however at this time neither Kathryn nor Sally is sure of what we are actually supposed to do – however, if it does anything to reduce the opioid problem it is well worth giving it our support.

> Red Ribbon Week: October 23 through Oct 31. WASA has Ribbons for Elementary; Wristbands for Middle & High School; Games & prizes at Middle School; Poster contest at Middle & High School; Assemblies on Oct 31.

> Halloween: Halloween Committee to meet at 2 PM (immediately following Exec. Meeting) on Nov. 6; SSVEC already working on Haunted House, plan to charge \$3/person this year; Elementary doing Haunted School Bus w/teachers reading to kids and Elementary students getting a book as a treat; Peggy Judd volunteered to do Costume Parades & Halloween Crafts; have commitments from Cochise Credit Union and Maid Rite; Adriana will make popcorn & hand out water; Johanna will circulate among trunks & activities to help w/candy – several others pending. Kathryn, Sally, Roxy, & Rachel volunteered to be on planning committee.

**OTHER:** None

**ADJOURN:** As there was no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:24.