

**Willcox Against Substance Abuse
W.A.S.A. Meeting Agenda
November 4, 2016 at TA Truck Stop**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Co-Chair Kathryn Ford-Maddox at 12:11 PM.

ROLL CALL: Present: Members: Kathryn Ford-Maddox, Gary Hatch, Liz Tenney, Tim Bowlby, Chief Rios, John Cropper, Sam Lindsey, Rachel Garza, Susan Richards and Sally White. Guest: Jose Baltierrez. Treasurer Roxy Roffey is absent due to illness, but sent her report by Rachel.

CALL TO PUBLIC: None

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES: Approved on a motion by Sam, seconded by Tim and unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER AGENDA: Approved on a motion by John, seconded by Tim and unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Financial report from Roxy was reviewed and accepted on a motion by Rachel, seconded by Susan and unanimous vote.

COORDINATOR REPORT: Gary stated that anything he would report about was contained in the minutes and suggested we move on through the agenda. This was agreed upon by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Halloween Report** Jose Baltierrez reported on the successful Haunted House that he delivered with sponsorship by SSVEC and presented WASA with \$470 in cash taken at the door. Brief discussion regarding next year – it was agreed that the two night activity was too much on the presenters and that in the future we would do our acting on Halloween night only. Based on reports from the various workers it is estimated that there were over 500 children in the park and the majority were accompanied by more than one family member. Members present commended Jose for the excellent job he did. It was agreed that in the future there should be one person who made sure all the activities had candy, etc. and did not try to both run an activity and stock others. The balance at this time in the Halloween account is \$759.74!!

- **Red Ribbon Week Report:** Sally reported on various RRW activities – donation boxes around town netted \$21 and Rachel collected \$52 handing out red ribbons in front of Safeway on the Saturday morning of Red Ribbon Week. All elementary students received ribbons, Middle and High School received RRW wristbands, candy was passed out throughout the week to those “caught” with their wristband – most of the students wore them all week and some even into the following week. At Middle School there was both a kick-off and a finale with a poster contest and several substance abuse

prevention activities. Prizes were given the winners and all posters will be displayed around the school campus for the rest of the year. Liz would like to see more done at the Elementary – we will work on this more for next year, but due to the 4 day school week Elementary staff are less inclined to have programs that interrupt the school day.

- **Quilt Raffle:** John and Sam turned in their raffle sales, members were encouraged to look for opportunities to sell tickets. Sally reported that she had checked and it would cost \$35 to have a booth at the local Christmas Fair; it was decided on a motion by Liz, seconded by Gary and unanimous vote that we would not do this as that would cut into our earnings considerably.
- **Coats for Kids:** Sally reported that thanks to a huge donation of beautiful, new coats that for the first time ever we have a larger stock than we anticipate needing. We will not run ads this year requesting donations but will work at getting the word out of our ability to provide coats and jackets through the What's Happening free column in our paper, facebook page and notices to the schools.

NEW BUSINESS:

> **Christmas Fair/Parade/Other??** It was already decided not to participate (see Quilt Raffle) in the Christmas Fair, but Sam offered to represent WASA in the Parade on Dec. 3. We will put our magnetic signs on one of his vintage cars and hand out of left over Halloween candy. Liz and Rachel both offered to provide young people to help with the candy.

> **Fundraising:** Tim has some great ideas for trying to do our summer activity fund drive in a single day with multiple events including a golf tournament, dinner with entertainment and a silent auction. He has offered to Chair the event, which was greatly applauded by all. A discussion followed regarding using Mr. Moss and Mr. Chapman to help bring in the youth talent/entertainment for the evening and the general decision that the last Saturday of April looks like a good time for the event. Everyone needs to think about how and where they can help – this could be an intensive workday but provide huge benefits beyond just raising the summer funds in one swoop.

> **Follow up retreat??** Last year we held a one day retreat that looked at specific things WASA needed to do to improve our program and move ahead. Members were asked if they would like to have a follow-up this year that looks at what we accomplished toward that end and helped establish where we want to go in the future. Members agreed that it would be a good idea to do a follow-up. Sally will start looking for dates and venues; we would like to use Eddie Browning again as facilitator as he has the information from last year and can help us look at what we are doing more clearly.

OTHER: Members were asked to look for December dates and places to host quilt raffle sales.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:18 on a motion by Kathryn, seconded by John.