Willcox Against Substance Abuse W.A.S.A. Board Minutes October 9, 2015 – TA Truck Stop

Call to Order at 12:09 by Chairman Jeff Stoddard

Roll Call: Members: Jeff Stoddard, Kathryn Ford-Maddox, Sam Lindsey, Chief Jose Rios, Elizabeth Tenney, Michelle Mullins, Carrie Clark, Roxy Roffee, and Sally White. Vistor/Guest: Randy Wonch. Gary Hatch is absent due to a death in the family, Susan Richards is on vacation, Beth Hill has resigned due to a change in jobs that will not allow her to attend, Bobby Gonzales had a dentist appointment..

Call to Public: No response

Approval of Minutes of September, 2015 Board Meeting: Approved on a motion by Liz Tenney, seconded by Kathryn Ford-Maddox and unanimously approved.

Approval of October, 2015 Agenda: Approved as presented on a motion by Jeff Stoddard, seconded by Sam Lindsey and unanimous vote.

Financial and Coordinator Report: Gary Hatch is not present at this meeting due to the passing of his mother. Sally reported that as of this date the available amount in the checking account is \$5,521.33; WASA has received a \$500 donation from SSVEC and a \$50 donation from Cochise Credit Union for Halloween – this is added to the \$500 carryover from last year (held in a separate savings account) and noted that \$125 of the new donation has been spent thus far for materials for this year. Gary has not been able to be in the office much this month but was able to come in for mock trials and help this year's Youth Court get started under the direction of Justin Allred – they have heard their first case and expect to be hearing two to four cases a week from now on.

OLD BUSINESS:

. Halloween plans: Halloween Committee Chair, Michelle Mullins, reported that she has met with Jose Baltierrez regarding a haunted house and a fun house (which Jose will be working on in conjunction with the City). Michelle is working with Monica Pacheco on the Trunk or Treat. They have started collecting donations of cash and candy, Sally gave her an updated request for donations latter and Michelle has ordered posters to be but up. She shared pictures of the poster which we want to get up on Facebook and Web Site. Kathryn has contacted a group of ladies who are planning on doing fortune telling and face painting, and we are looking at bringing in some high school aged youth for activities. Thus far we have 4 trunks committed and are looking for more. Carrie Clark and Peggy Judd have contacted Sally to help, so things seem to be coming together well.

.. Red Ribbon Week: Sally reported that she has ordered ribbons for Middle School students and wrist bands for Middle and High School for this annual event as well as some balloons to help publicize it. We will be putting an article in the newspaper and are working with the Middle School for a large campaign that includes a rally, poster contest and drawings at lunch in the cafeteria with recognition for those wearing their wrist band. The Future Healthcare Leaders Club will assist at the high school with giving candy to those wearing their ribbons throughout the week. Jeff suggested giving the wristbands to the various coaches as the students would be more likely to wear them for the coach. Chief Rios said School Resource Officer Rose Lacey will be helping as well.

. Talent Show: Committee Chair, Liz Tenney reported that only she and Sally were at the first meeting, but we have started things rolling. Sally gave her printed tickets, flyers and letters to sell ads for our program. All WASA members were encouraged to take the ad requests to any businesses they have connections with. Carrie volunteered to contact Indy Raceway, which could be a valuable supporter. Brief discussion regarding on working with wine industry, consensus was this would have to be looked at on an individual basis of what was being done and there would have be clear statements on WASA's stand against youth use of alcohol in any form.

. Board Retreat: Sally reported that Jan. 23 has been determined to be the best date for Eddie to do the retreat; Jeff wants to change this as this is not a good date for the Amerind – brief discussion on changing venue rather than date as this works for Eddie and the members had requested at the last meeting that

we link the meeting with one of our regular meetings and Jan. 22 would be our regular Executive Committee meeting. No decision made at this time.

. Need for New Treasurer: Sally explained that Roxy Roffee has been invited to join us to replace Beth Hill who is taking a position for Cochise College and will no longer be available for meetings. Roxy works at the County Health Dept. and could easily fill Beth's vacated position on both the Board and Executive Committee. Beth also had shared that Roxy had some past financial experience and does the finances for the local Health Dept. office. Roxy was asked how she felt about taking on this position and agree as long as she had some assistance in setting things up which Kathryn agreed to do. On a motion by Jeff, seconded by Michelle and unanimous vote, Roxy is the new WASA Treasurer. Gary will get with her as soon as he gets back to help make this transition. As of the date they can meet with the Credit Union, signers on all WASA accounts will be Jeff Stoddard, Gary Hatch and Roxy Roffee

NEW BUSINESS:

. Welcome to new members: Chairman Stoddard welcomed Roxy and Carrie Clark who has been a member since summer, but has been unable to attend meetings due to her job and just now is able to join us at meetings. He also welcomed Randy Wonch whose wife is new employee at ACTS – hopefully both Mr. & Mrs. Wonch will be joining us.

. Nominations for Best Friend of WASA: We want to have the Best Friend of WASA award given at the Talent Show during judges deliberation of winners. Sally gave a brief review of this award and asked for members to consider who should be named this year. She will send out an email next week asking all members to send back their nomination; she will then take that list to the Executive Committee for the final decision. Brief discussion followed: Sam suggested that she include in her e-mail a list of past recipients, there is nothing preventing anyone from receiving the award more than once, but it might be a good thing to consider – members were reminded that it does not have to be an individual – a group or organization is quite acceptable. We talked about donors such as SSVEC who had been a strong supporter over the years and mentioned the City which has been absolutely crucial to our being able to operate at times.

OTHER: Michelle: It appears that the Chamber is not going to host the annual Craft Fair (originally the Apple Festival) this year, she was wondering if this would be something WASA might want to assume – Jeff will talk to Chamber to be certain we are not stepping on toes and we will consider it. Roxie has recently joined a group out of UofA which has received a grant to improve health in general and better eating habits in rural communities such as ours. There is money behind this – several ideas were tossed around such as better sidewalks or repairing the park's walking path to encourage walking; Liz would like to see a Splash Pad added at the pool. We recognized that anything that involves property, easements, insurance, etc. would need to be presented to the proper individuals before any plans were made, but members agreed that we are anxious to support Roxie and help where we can with this. Jeff: Asked that we get our annual Coats for Kids started before weather turns really cold. Sally will see if we can get something in the "What's Happening" section next week then follow up with an ad the next week. She also let members know we have several nice coats that came in late last year so we will not be starting from scratch and one sorority has already contacted her so we are on point.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to bring before this meeting, motion to adjourn was made by Liz, seconded by Kathryn and unanimously approved at 1:18.