



The Sexual Health Alliance is a collaborative group that promotes and supports healthy relationships and sexual behaviors in Linn and Johnson counties through community engagement

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance: 11- Fatima Jayoma (Rape Victim Advocacy Program), Rebecca Price (Eastern Iowa Health Center), Katie Reasner (Linn County Public Health), Abby Lee (University of Iowa College of Public Health), Alicia Steines (Linn County Public Health), Emily Parker (Area Substance Abuse Council), Tim McGullam (Area Substance Abuse Council), Amelia Slaichert (Johnson County Public Health), Teresa Davidson (Mercy Cedar Rapids), Kim Andresen (Rape Victim Advocacy Program/Transformative Healing), Taylor Houston (Mt. Mercy University)

Approval of December Minutes: Amelia Slaichert, Alicia Steines- second

Updates, Barriers & Opportunities

- Rape Victim Advocacy Program (RVAP) recently hired a new campus-based prevention staff, Shalisa Gladney, who will begin on January 14th. RVAP is in the process of interviewing for a Bilingual Direct Services Advocate
- Johnson County Public Health conducted 750 HIV tests and 250 Hepatitis tests this grant cycle
- The College of Public Health looking to create partnerships between various student groups and community sectors. For organizations that are interested or could use volunteer hours, Abby can be point of contact for this ongoing opportunity
- LGBTQ Youth Center opened in Cedar Rapids. Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC) helped raise funds for the center. Open 4 days a week at Tanager Place and hopeful for grant dollars to further support the center and expanded hours
- January is Anti-trafficking Awareness Month. Mount Mercy Students are distributing stickers to businesses as part of an awareness campaign. They are looking for volunteers who will have a one pager to focus on. Volunteers will not be posting on Kum and Go or Casey's, which will be addressed by a regional effort instead
- Taylor Houston is working on a lit review for refugee resettlement, including barriers to marginalized populations. The grant started in September

2019 Executive Board

- **Executive Board Restructure**
Vote: *Shall the bylaws be amended to re-structure the executive board as outlined in the 2018 Proposal of Executive Board Restructure.* Those that had an organizational or individual statement of commitment signed were eligible to vote. The vote was unanimous in favor of amending the bylaws. With this amendment, Linn County Public Health and Johnson County Public Health staff represent the Facilitators. Elected positions include Secretary, Treasurer/Historian, and Online Coordinator. In the absence of volunteered nominations for these positions, Planned Parenthood and United Action for Youth representatives cover the Treasurer/Historian and Secretary positions. These two organizations play an active role in the coalition as it satisfies their coalition requirement for the Community Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (CAPP) grant.

Additionally, given the changes to the account and fiscal support from both health departments that will occur July 1, Abby Lee agreed to continue her role as Treasurer. A special election will be held for Treasurer/Historian at the July 2019 meeting.

- **Call for Nominations**

If you are interested in nominating yourself for the positions below, please e-mail [Katie](#) no later than 5:00pm on Thursday January, 31th. Voting will occur during the February meeting. Position descriptions:

- The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, attendance, and votes. The Secretary shall be responsible for the compilation of minutes and their distribution. The secretary shall also assume responsibility of the Alliance’s Gmail account. This includes maintaining documents on the G-Drive.
- The Online Coordinator shall assume responsibility of the Alliance’s social media platforms and website. This includes creating and scheduling posts and creating meeting events on Facebook. The Online Coordinator shall create and update website content including meeting information, agendas, and minutes.

2019-2021 Strategic Plan and Subcommittees

The Strategic Plan, which was written by workgroups in October, has been finalized. The group decided to form 2 subcommittees to move the strategic plan forward. This includes an education subcommittee and events subcommittee. The group also discussed a membership subcommittee, but decided to wait until the other two subcommittees become established and sustainable. If you are interested in receiving information about the subcommittees, please contact [Katie](#).

Education Subcommittee

1. Abby Lee
2. Amelia Slaichert
3. Katie Reasner
4. Rebecca Price
5. Taylor Houston
6. Teresa Davidson
7. _____

Events Subcommittee

1. Alicia Steines
2. Emily Parker
3. Kimmie Andresen
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Human Trafficking Presentation

Teresa Davidson, ARNP, MSN, MA from Mercy Medical Center presented on Human Trafficking. She defined what human trafficking was and discussed the varies types. Davidson explained that in the US, the majority of trafficking are labor and sex trafficking through force, fraud or coercion and she reviewed how traffickers exploit vulnerabilities to gain victims. Human Trafficking is slated to become the number one crime in the next five years.

12:38 pm Adjourned

Upcoming Meetings

February 7 th	11am-12:00pm	North Liberty Community Library Room CD
March 7 th	11am-	North Liberty Community Library Room CD



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