

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
GRANBY PREVENTION COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
June 3, 2013**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Celia Lofink, Kathy Sutton, Kerry Ann Kielbasa, Anne Marie Cox, Aaron DeLaRoche, Captain William Tyler, Stephanie Stupienski, Barbara Kei, Dr. Stephen Kei, Jeffrey Rackliff, Holly Johnson

**ABSENT:** Wendi Cooper, Judi Cosgrove, Michael Garcia, Deborah Lindsey-Lombardi, Pastor Al Royal, David Tolli, Jim Viers

Celia Lofink called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

None

**MINUTES**

ON A MOTION by Anne Marie Cox, seconded by Stephanie Stupienski, the council approved the minutes of the May 6, 2013 meeting as written. (Unanimous)

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS - Committee Chairperson – Jim Veirs**

**a. Governance**

Did not meet

Governance is going to designate a person to oversee the GPC funds and see if a Finance person is needed.

**b. Events – Committee Chairperson – Kathy Sutton**

Did not meet

**c. Marketing/Development – Committee Chairperson – Pastor Al Royal**

Did not meet

Anne Marie Cox stated that all the GPC Brochures have been distributed. The Board will need to order more. Anne Marie is going to do some research on printing costs.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

All but one of the Silent Auction items have been paid for and picked up. The amount deposited in the GPC account after expenses was \$2,685.

Connect Training (Suicide Prevention) – received the grant. Going to develop a town wide plan on what the procedures will be throughout the 7 participating agencies. QPR Training for teachers in the fall. Question posed: should the GPC have a liaison involved in the QPR? This was tabled for a future meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Judi Cosgrove is resigning from the Board.

Diane Dugas is leaving the Granby School System and will no longer be able to participate on the Board. It was agreed on by the Board that everyone would like to give a donation towards a gift certificate to the Talulah Organic Salon in Granby. Alan Addley will appoint the person who takes her place on the board.

Celia presented the following agenda for the next portion of the meeting:

- 1) Review Vision and Mission – Celia Lofink
- 2) Asset Survey – Kerry Kielbasa
- 3) 1 or 2 key indicators
- 4) NGT → 1 or 2 GPC
- 5) In Summary

#### GPC Vision

All Granby youth will attain the life skills and access the support systems necessary to feel valued and empowered to grow into healthy, productive adults.

#### GPC Mission

The Granby Prevention Council is a community coalition whose mission is to actively engage the youth and adults in Granby in developing and implementing initiatives to increase thriving indicators and decrease substance abuse and other risky behaviors among youth.

Asset Survey – Unfortunately the results from the 2009 and 2013 surveys are very similar. Kerry explained the results in more detail. There was a sharp increase in sexual activity and tobacco use. The numbers for Drinking/Driving/Riding with someone who has been drinking decreased. The kids who had a higher number of assets showed a lower percentage of risky behaviors.

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The group was asked to split into smaller groups and select 3 or 4 assets that they would like to focus on. The 3 assets with the highest number of votes were: 1) Restraint (Young person believes it is important NOT to be sexually active or to use alcohol or other drugs) 2) Youth as Resources (Young people are given useful roles in the community) 3) Creative Activities

(Young person spends three or more hours per week in lessons or practice in music, theatre, or other arts).

In Summary – the “homework” assignment for the group is to come up with 2 or 3 ideas the GPC can implement. It was suggested by Kerry Kielbasa that each member review the questions on the actual survey to see what questions/answers were involved with each assets. When the Board resumes their meetings in September, they will look at the Vision and Mission and have additional discussions about the assets.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

ON A MOTION by Stephanie Stupienski, seconded by Jeffrey Rackliff the meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m. (Unanimous)

Respectfully submitted,

Daphne Shinder  
Recording Secretary