

RDMC Meeting Notes April 29, 2014

**In attendance:**

*Claude Shipley, Paul Knoll, Dan Gilbertson, Tanya Tatum, Neal Meadows, Jim Croteau, and Emily Cain*

Claude Shipley, filled in for Bruce Grant as he was stuck in Atlanta

**Introductions:**

Emily Cain with DISC Village, Inc. will be replacing Mae Waters position of Coordinator

Jim Croteau with 21<sup>st</sup> Century Council

Neil Meadows, Web designer

Claude Shipley with Veterans Foundation

Tanya Tatum, FAMU

Dan Gilbertson, Tallahassee Concerned Vendors

Paul Knoll, TMH

**Updates:**

Desoto Trail Elementary is now Red Ribbon Certified

- Has been assigned as the initial school for certification to set a good precedence for the following school year
- DISC Village's Prevention Department, will be starting the certification process with the following schools
  - o Cobb Middle, Griffin Middle, Godby High, and Leon High

FSA- Florida Sheriffs Association

- Campaigning against the Florida bill for Medical Marijuana legalization
- "Don't Let Flordai Go to Pot", new slogan

Editorial

- Bruce will be publishing an editorial on problems with prevention efforts
  - o Medical Marijuana as the main focus
- Will produce dialog

TMH

Paul Knoll reporting on underage drinking and drug use among teens

- Will try to gain access to important data concerning those numbers
  - o Contacting PR for release of information and then getting back to Bruce with the updated information
- High numbers of adolescents coming in with addictions
  - o Alcohol, number one
  - o Adderol abuse
  - o Marijuana, psychological dependency
  - o LSD, Mushroom; increase
  - o Heroine increase
  - o Cold medicine
  - o Lighting up and smoking candy, smarties
  - o Oxy has come down in the past 7 months
- New Neuro-Cognitive testing being done, RBANS (Repeatable Battery for the Assessment of Neuropsychological Status)
  - o Testing memory
  - o Cognitive disorders present among teens
  - o Permanent damage due to prolonged use of drugs and alcohol on a prematurely developed brain

#### Tallahassee Concerned Vendors

- August is the big training month for all vendors
  - o Looking to incorporate intensive prevention materials
  - o Seeking out an expert on ID checking
    - Mandatory points to check on ID
    - Looking deeper into information provided
- Dealing with the legal obligations along with the Moral obligations of the company in regards to handling cases
- Trying to get more bus routes to locations

#### FAMU

- New Residence Hall being built
  - o Fall semester
  - o 800 beds
  - o Working with housing to build up a program
- Marijuana is main problem, alcohol is present as well
- The clinic will be offering educational programs to the students in the residence halls
- Incoming students must do a program on Sexual Violence Prevention
  - o Trying to incorporate the alcohol portion as well, needs approval

#### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Council

- Working on creating the best practices

- Working towards better policies

DISC Village, Inc.

- KKDF (Keep Kids Drug Free Foundation)
  - o Buy license plate tags (\$25)
  - o All proceeds go towards prevention efforts
    - Schools
  - o Visit [KKDF.org](http://KKDF.org) to learn more
- Prevention department
  - o Will be running summer programs
  - o Looking for organizations or groups to work alongside with
    - Offering services
      - New Horizons (life skills, substance abuse prevention program)
      - Class Action ( substance abuse prevention through case laws)
      - Workshops

Veterans Stand Down

- 713 Volunteers
- The VA clinic was present
- 48 cases were done with Legal representation
- Clothes distributed
- 101 Restaurant donated all of the food
- Permanent housing
- Recreation Therapy
- A huge turnout and a big success

\*\*\*Next meeting: TBA