

Hawthorne Municipal Alliance Committee Meeting Minutes November 28, 2012

Present: Irina Carrasco, Chris Connolly, Matthew Corvo, Mayor Rich Goldberg, Dominic Mele, Kathie O'Dowd, Helen Pasquale, Lorraine Powell

Absent: Joanne J. Graziano (illness)

Guest: Sherrine Schuldt

Called to Order: 4:00 pm

The minutes of the September 26, 2012 meeting were approved by Mayor Rich Goldberg and seconded by Mr. Corvo.

**Mrs. Powell conducted the business of the November 28, 2012 meeting due to the fact that Ms. Graziano was unable to attend. She welcomed everyone and stated that many things needed to be discussed at this meeting.

Topics Addressed:

- Proposed 2013 HMAC Calendar – The proposed 2013 calendar was accepted unanimously by all committee members and it was indicated that the April 2013 meeting will be in conjunction with our April Senior Citizen group activity.
- Third Quarterly Report – Mrs. Powell updated all committee members on the status of monies used in our third quarter. At this time, Mrs. Powell introduced a proposal to expend some of the grant monies for a Domestic Violence program that was presented in October 2012. After some discussion, a motion was made to spend \$750.00 toward this activity. The motion passed unanimously.
- United for Prevention in Passaic County (UPinPC) – Mrs. Schuldt spoke about this coalition being formed within Passaic County. Mayor Goldberg is the Chairperson and will lead the county in this new effort. Mrs. Schuldt proceeded to explain that this coalition is in its infant stages, with various committees being formed. Anyone willing to participate should let her know and become part of this great endeavor.
- Teen Summit – The Passaic County Teen Summit will take place on March 20, 2013 at William Paterson University. This Summit involves all high schools within Passaic County. The Hawthorne School District will be sending ten to twelve students and will participate in activities with students from the other high schools. This is a good networking activity for our students as well as informative in terms of what is expected of them in relation to alcohol and drug abuse.

- Peer Leader Update – Mr. Corvo informed the committee members regarding several activities taking place with the Peer Leaders. They are as follows: 8th Grade Orientation Booth, Interact Conference (October) which emphasized team-building activities and support strategies to deal with issues that they may be presented with, and assembly programs happening throughout the year.
- Senior Citizen Activity – Mrs. Powell informed the group that the Spring production at the High School will take place on Tuesday, April 23, 2013. This is a great activity where so many of our Senior Citizens come to the High School for a night of enjoyment which includes dinner and the Spring Hawthorne High School production.

**As a point of information, Mayor Goldberg introduced Irina Carrasco from the Hawthorne Boys and Girls Club as a new committee member. Ms. Carrasco will be replacing Mr. Magna in order to maintain our partnership with the Hawthorne Boys and Girls Club. She was welcomed by all committee members. At this point, Ms. Carrasco then spoke about the Torch Club and Every Kid Counts Dinner which is to be held at the Brownstone.

In closing, Mrs. Powell thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She also indicated that 2013 will be an interesting year for all Municipal Alliances. With no other business coming before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 23, 2013