

**Watchung Hills Regional Municipal Alliance (MAC)
January 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

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Attendees:

Anna Baitel	Tom Clarke	Eshika Kaul	Gonzalez Rigoberto
Judy Carbone	Bella DiSturco	Derek Ressa	Jack Walsh
Joe Casorio	Lindsay Goodloe	Kevin Rice	Cynthia Webster
Alicia Carman			

- I. **Call to Order** – Cindy Webster called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM in Room 107 at Watchung Hills Regional HS in Warren.
- II. **Introductions** – Cindy thanked Jack Walsh for all his years of service to the Alliance. Jack will not be leaving us and will transition Cindy into her new role. Everyone introduced themselves.
- III. **Minutes from the December 12, 2018 meeting** were accepted and approved by all.
- IV. **Somerset County MAC Update** – The WHRMA 2nd Qtr. report has been submitted. The Challenge Day invoice was not available at the time of submission. During the meeting, Kevin Rice provided Alicia Carman with a copy of the Challenge Day invoice to complete the report.
- V. **Program Reports**
 - High School Student Updates
 - TAG – Anna Baitel, Bella DiSturco & Eshika Kaul
 - Music in the mornings began today from 7:05am – 7:20am.
 - Seniors go to 9th grade gym classes and talk about their struggles and how to cope with them
 - Will try to get students to sign up early for Lindsey Meyer’s Teen Summer Leadership Conference.
- VI. **New Business**
 - 2018-19 Meeting Schedule

February 13, 2019	June meeting is the Lyon’s	September 11, 2019
March 13, 2019	Expo, date TBA	October 9, 2019
April 10, 2019	or possibly June 12, 2019	November 13, 2019
May 8, 2019	July No meeting	December 11, 2019
	August No meeting	
 - Program ideas for 2018-19 grant year – To be discussed
 - A Request for Funding form was received from Jennifer Esposito, for D.A.R.E.- Green Brook, in the amount of \$2,246.84. A description of the program and proposed list of items to be purchased was also received. A motion was made and all approved the Request for Funding as stated.
 - D.A.R.E. – Long Hill – Judy Carbone will check to see if the coordinator of the program needs funding for the program. Warren – Alicia will send a request form to kgallagher@warrenpolice.com. Watchung – Lindsay Goodloe will see if assistance is needed in any capacity, regarding the awareness and prevention of substance use.
 - Safety Assessment & Intervention (Kevin Carroll) – A Request for Funding form was

presented by Derek Ressa in the amount of \$1,500.00. A motion was made and all approved the Request for Funding.

- Showing of the movie “Beautiful Boy” – Kevin will follow-up to see if we can show a movie at the high school.
- Presentation from Marianne Angelillo prior to Project Graduation re: drunk driving – Cindy will contact the Project Grad leader and also get a cost.
- Opioid Epidemic presentation (Cindy Webster) – Kevin will review information sent to him by Cindy and see if we can use the “Speakers for Change,” in some way.

VII. Old Business

- Program ideas for 2018-19 grant year – To be planned
 - The movie “Angst” will be shown to all juniors of WHRHS during their health classes and the community will be invited to see it at night. Kevin stated that they are working on the dates, but it may be scheduled late April or early May (before AP testing starts).
 - Timothy Shoemaker (Jill Gleeson) – Hiding in Plain Site – Around April 2nd.
 - “Angst” and Hiding in Plain Site will be a collaborative effort with the PTO.
 - Narcan Training – Rutgers will contact Carolyn Seracka in the Spring
 - Adult Mental Health First Aid – Target population-Youth & Seniors – Cindy will discuss this with the Youth Services Committee when they have their meeting and she is waiting to hear back from Betty Grossweiler, representative for the Warren Senior Center.
 - Suicide prevention -Jack is still waiting for a return call.

VIII. Next Meeting - Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 7:30 PM in Room 107 at Watchung Hills Regional High School located at 108 Stirling Rd., Warren, NJ

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM