



LCAHY Community Board Meeting  
Hybrid Meeting: Hilton Head High School/Zoom  
April 25, 2022

**Meeting called to order 6:00 pm** by Chair Wendy Cummings

**Minutes:** Minutes from March meeting approved.

**Attendance:** Wendy Cummings (Schools/THY Cross Co-Advisor), Francine Norz Tobin (Governmental organization/Solicitor's Office), , Dr. Loretta Novince (LCAHY/DFC Grant Consultant), Rosario Macias (Youth/THY Bluffton HS ), Rev. Santos (Faith Based Organization), Ashley Ames (Youth/THY Hilton Head HS), Florentina Hartley (Schools/THY Hilton Head HS), Wade Bishop (Other Agency with Expertise in Substance Abuse/BCADAD), (Galen Sturup-Comeau (Other agency with Expertise in Substance Abuse/ BCADAD), David Burke (Health Sector/Pharmacist). Zoom Attendance: Cheryl Rodreguiz (Parent Sector/ Bluffton HS) Pastor Cible Santos (Faith-Based Organization ) Guest: Yolanda Lopez (Beaufort County Drug and Alcohol). Staff: Laura Pirkey (DFC Grant Project Director and THY Coordinator), Rachel Kassal (DFC Grant Support Staff), and Blanca Aranda (DFC Grant Project Coordinator)

**DFC Support Grant Update/2022-2027 DFC Support Program Grant Application**

Dr. Novince presented. The DFC Support Program Grant for years 2022-2027 has been submitted. She thanked Board members who helped in collecting data and who participated in drafting modified logic models. CIA's were thanked for signing MOU's. Future plans are to ask everyone on the Board to sign an MOU. We are working on 501C3 rather than continuing with operating under the fiscal agent. She also mentioned both public and private schools in Southern Beaufort County were given the opportunity to administer the Communities That Care Survey, CTC) in March/April to grades 7, 9, and 11. KiKi Swinton, with the Beaufort County Schools, encouraged schools to participate.

**12 Month Action Plan Update: -Month Action Plan Updates: Ad-Hoc Committee Assignments**

**Teens for Healthy Youth:**

THY Bluffton HS: Laura Pirkey, Youth Coalition Coordinator and Bluffton High School THY Co-Advisor stated that many events, which involve THY will occur this Spring. She announced that April is Alcohol Awareness Month. Rosario Macias, a Bluffton HS THY member, reported that during April, Alcohol Awareness month, THY members sent Instagram messages in Spanish and English about distracted, drunk, and drugged driving with a focus on safe driving on Prom night. Galen mentioned that Impact Teen Drivers is a resource he learned about at a recent conference he attended. Laura further reported that THY members will volunteer at May Day 5K serving as course marshals and staff a water table and a THY information tables. On May 1, they will staff an information table at the Latin Music Festival and pass out prevention resources in Spanish and English. They plan to face paint kids, which will provide an opportunity to speak with parents. She is in the process of recruiting students to represent LCAHY/THY next month to accept the Town's proclamation issued by Mayor Sulka during

Mental Health & Substance Use Awareness Month. Lastly, she reported that THY representation is needed this Saturday at Rx Take Back Day to distribute the LCAHY Rx fact card, which identifies year-round drop off locations.

THY Hilton Head HS: Ashley, president of THY stated that she will make it mandatory to attend either 5K or the Latin Festival event.

THY Cross Schools: Wendy reported that she did not have an update for Cross Schools because they were doing testing and were on Spring Break.

Laura ended the THY report by saying that a THY recognition of our Youth will take place at the May meeting and that the outstanding LCAHY THY graduating senior will be recognized. Parents and Administrators will be invited. Meeting will be at Oscar Frasier Rotary Center in Bluffton.

### **LCAHY Intern Report:**

Dr. Novince, Kylie Nelson's internship preceptor, presented on behalf of Kylie. She recently designed a fact card on distracted, drunk, drug driving. Laura reported that THY Bluffton plans to insert these fact cards into water bottles, which will be given to students attending PROM at Bluffton High.

### **MAY DAY 5K:**

Wendy reported that the race is 19 days away and that sponsors are welcomed and runners are needed!

### **Board Distribution of LCAHY Rx Cards:**

Francine presented the updated Take Back the Meds Drop box cards and displays. She asked that each Board member take two of the displays to distribute the to an establishment where there is public foot traffic, e.g. doctor's offices/ libraries/ oral surgeon offices.

**Festival and Establishment training:** Wade reported that the We ID the LCAHY Way training was conducted with staff at the Rec Center who work festivals. He also noted that he conducted a PREP training for Callahan's restaurant. These trainings are free to establishments that serve and sell alcohol. Wendy asked if he planned to conduct PREP for any of the Bluffton establishments. He said that he did not. David Burke suggested the training be promoted through the Chamber of Commerce for Hilton Head and Bluffton. Chamber newsletters go out every Monday. Wendy then asked David Burke if he would ask the Chamber to promote the May Day 5K race in their newsletter. Dr. Novince said we have Clings regarding not purchasing alcohol for under 21 that will be posted in establishments.

**501 C 3 status:** Cheryl said she is waiting for a couple of answers from LCAHY to complete the application. The By-Laws is one issue, the other is date foundation was established. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that the founding date may have been 2/27/2012. The Board approved amendments in By- Laws at tonight's meeting. (Articles 4.1 and 4.3, 6.2.6 changes approved).

**Other Business:** Galen presented information regarding a Narcan event to take place on Hilton Head. Beaufort County Drug and Alcohol is also having a family fun activity this summer season.

Wade introduced the newest Beaufort County Drug and Alcohol employee, Yolanda Lopez. Yolanda will be taking the next step with violators of drunk driving violations to provide further supportive services if necessary.

Next meeting is May 16, 2022 at 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, -- Francine Norz Tobin, Recording Secretary

