

ARCH Community Meeting
Meeting Notes
Wednesday, November 16, 2016
9:00 am, T/EAO

Present: G. Mascioli, M. Barton, T. Jennings, B. Fadem, P. Littlewood, L. Mills, M. Cataldi, A. Gaimo, A. Chipeco, S. Carpenter, K. Celebuski, K. Zahlaway, J. Braun, E. Moeller.

Welcome and Introductions J. Braun opened the meeting.

Treasurer's Report M. Barton, Treasurer, gave a Quarter 1 report (through Sept, 2016). Balances through 9/30/16: \$6367 (checking) and \$9038 (Vanguard). She reported that books are entered in QuickBooks, and an initial annual budget is in process of being created. B. Fadem is assisting M. Barton in transition.

Secretary's Report E. Moeller has been serving in this capacity and is looking for a replacement. Two individuals have communicated possible availability to share this position. E. Moeller will contact them (D. Reiner & K. Becket) to clarify. Duties include taking and posting minutes to meetings and handling written correspondence when needed.

Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg Presentation Scheduled for 12/6/16, 7:00pm, TEMS. Report by M. Barton. His book ***Raising Kids to Thrive*** will be available to purchase at the event. B. Fadem will arrange with Mike Baskin to video tape the presentation. Publicizing the event will occur in this way: 1. Flyer distribution to all schools, 2. grass roots marketing on our own to our own friend / neighbor groups. On the night of the event: Tricia and Michelle will handle the book sales table; Sukie will facilitate sign-in; Gwenn will make sign-in sheets; Will we promote a future ARCH event?

If Only Recap Event occurred 11/9/16 at CHS and TEMS. Officer Bereta (sp?) (Tredyffrin Police Dept.) attended and wants to be part of information distribution in our community. It was estimated that 80-ish people attended the evening presentation for parents and community members. Discussion following the video presentation was facilitated by K. Zahlaway. A former student ("Nick"), now in recovery, shared his story.

Might we consider another video screening and discussion forum in the future? President Barack Obama talks to Macklemore in "Prescription For Change: Ending America's Opioid Crisis" This 40-minute video was aired on MTV and could be used for future discussions.

PAYS (PA Youth Survey) Recap This presentation was given 11/3/16 at TEAO. Although deemed to be an excellent presentation given by Jacqueline Taylor of Holcomb Behavioral Health, attendance was disappointing. She interspersed data from the survey with general information on alcohol and other drug use, and behavioral challenges in our community. For example, information on vaping, what it is and how it can be used with addictive substances was discussed. The presentation was video-recorded and will be made available on the district website. <http://www.tesd.net/Page/15064>

Going forward, what shall we do to distribute the information from the Youth Survey? We discussed possible other locations to give this presentation (in addition to the district administrative offices), such as libraries, YMCA, other community locations. We continue to

plan to create a short hand-out to summarize and perhaps entice people to want to learn more about the local survey results. Should we look for other avenues in which to give the presentation again this school year? Are parents reluctant to attend such a presentation out of concern about what others will think if they are seen there?

It was pointed out that a local blog gave ARCH some positive recognition in sharing the survey results. However in the same blog, some of the data was conveyed in a misleading way. J. Braun will contact the writer to correct the mis-information.

Prescription Drug Card Two-sided, informational card, in color, describes information for general public re: pain relievers and the dangers of abuse and addiction. This card has been created by ARCH for general distribution at our various presentations. (Sample shared at this meeting.)

Elementary Parent Program (Spring, 2017) ***Technology and Kids: Empowering Parents*** K. Zahlaway and Lisa Lukens have been meeting and planning this presentation. Considering March 29 from 7:00 - 8:30pm, Hillside School? This date is not confirmed.

TESD Resiliency - Parent Lessons (Spring, 2017) Date and location to be determined. The idea here is to share some of the resiliency lessons that our students are receiving with parents, to teach parents the language used at school and ways parents can reinforce lessons at home.

Mental Health First Aid Class COAD offers these information classes to police, parents and educators. It is generally a 4-hour class on 2 consecutive evenings. If we offer the class in T/E, will there be a cost to us? P. Littlewood will look in to this, to learn more details.

Jobs Open ARCH Website G. Mascioli has been doing this job and is looking to transition it to a new volunteer.

Screenagers This is a documentary film that explores how families are coping with children who are growing up in this technological age of multiple media screens. Perhaps this might be another film for ARCH to screen and facilitate a community discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30am.
Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Moeller, ARCH Secretary