



Healthy Communities Steering Committee Meeting

December 13, 2018

Eau Claire City-County Health Department

Room G302

MINUTES

Present: Cortney Draxler (Health Dept), Sarah Driever (Anu Family Services), Mark Gideonsen (Prevea Health), Chris Klesmith (Health Dept), Barb Powers (Community Member), Gina Schemenauer (Health Dept)

Meeting called to order 7:38 AM

1. Introductions and Announcements

Introductions were made of all present.

Several people are not able to attend these meetings due to the early time so we may need to talk about changing the meeting time. A Steering Committee survey will be done.

2. Council re-engagement/attendance

Health Dept. staff have been working on updating membership lists for all Action Teams and Council. Distribution lists are very large when actual number of people attending is smaller. After lists have been updated, organizational representation will be addressed to make sure we have a complete list.

3. Discuss Celebration/Legislative

a. Timeline for Champion Award

Location is booked (CVTC business education center on April 25th). Planning group will be meeting again to finalize what kind of format/speaker to have (topic will be AODA). Award Nomination process will be talked about at the January Council meeting. Two awards will be given: individual and organization (does not have to be involved with Healthy Communities, but the person/organization should be doing work to better the health in our community). People that turned in non-winning nomination applications for 2018 will be asked if they would like brought forward to 2019. Nomination Form will be the same as last year. A hard copy of the Nomination Form will be brought to the January Council meeting. There will be a Press Release prior to the Celebration/Legislative Event.

4. Annual Report Discussion

The last two years an Annual Report was done. This document includes one page on each Action Team that lists their goals and some of the highlights over the last year. Since the CHIP process was just finished, it was decided to wait until next year to do the Annual Report. A short four-page usable document will be put together that links to the CHIP. The goal of the new website is to have more updated action plans and information there.

5. Annual Survey Feedback

The Annual Surveys are typically sent out to Council and Action Team members in January. Questions were reviewed and surveys will be streamlined to ensure that more people complete.

Survey will be sent to co-chairs and they will get feedback before February steering committee. The modified version will be brought to the February Steering meeting for finalization. The action team and council surveys will be distributed at the March Action Team and Council meetings. Will also send out electronic version to teams. Talked about doing a pilot of the survey to ensure that we get the information out that we are looking for.

Visit our new website. It is the same domain name: www.ehealthycommunities.org. Go check it out!! Health department will work to help it be more searchable on google.

6. Healthy Communities Designation Sign

The Healthy Communities Designation sign was shared at today's meeting. Need to decide what the sign will be used for and where it will be displayed. A group picture with the sign will be taken. It was decided to give the project of location of the sign to Chronic Disease. They have connections to the City on who to talk to and the process. The Healthy Communities Designation sign will be brought to the January Council meeting for everyone to see.

7. Action Team Sharing/Discussion

Chronic Disease – This group now has two new objectives: increasing county accessibility to healthy food and beverages and increasing physical activity. In November the group looked into Blue Zones and talked to reps from their organization. It would be a three-year commitment and a \$50,000 initial start up fee. The Team decided that they are already working on quite a few of the components to this and decided to continue working on their own. The Healthy Kids Meal project is looking for more funding to expand. In December a recap meeting will be done on what is working and what is not and the Team will move into the new year.

Other Ideas for Action Teams

Quite a few of the Action Teams are talking about doing a combined meeting to figure out a joint activity or event that can be done. Health Dept staff are currently working out the details on how best to facilitate and when the best time would be to meet to be most effective. It was decided to make time at the Steering Committee meeting to do this. This will also help build overlapping connections between the Teams. This will be put on the February Steering agenda.

A lot of the Teams are commenting on the need to be visible on social media and Facebook and how to utilize that. Currently there isn't a Healthy Communities Facebook page, but we could utilize existing social media accounts to spread the message.

8. Set Council Agenda

- Healthy Communities Designation Sign – updates
- Celebration date
- Share information on Award Nomination process and form
- Legislative/Celebration update
- Possible presentation topic – homelessness and next steps as a community. Potential speakers from PORCH, JONAH, Housing Authority, ECASD.
- EC Police Dept – come to talk about issues they are seeing and what their typical day looks like.
- Stop & Think Program

Other Business

Meeting Cancellation/Snow Policy reviewed. If Eau Claire schools are cancelled, Healthy Communities meeting is cancelled. If Eau Claire is already scheduled to be off, then follow the Chippewa School closure policy.

Someone from the Alliance will be at all future Council meetings to give updates.

Possibly talk about Facebook access for Healthy Communities and the Action Teams.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 AM

You can find all minutes and agendas on our website located at.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joanie Klimek