



ISAP Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2010
LPD South Precinct
8:30 am to 10:30 am

Members Present:

Becky Allen, MSU Olin Health Center	Rebecca.allen@hc.msu.edu
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Pat Wheeler, NCA/LRA	patw@ncalra.com

Next Meeting: May 11th, 2010 @ 8:30 am @LPD South Precinct

I. Call to Order: 8:35 am

Chair Emeritus Marie Hansen called the meeting to order in Pat Bednarz' stead. Marie had each person introduce him or herself.

II. Coalition Approval of March Minutes:

Marie called for a motion to approve the March meeting minutes as published. Lt. Eric Trojanowicz made the motion and Don Iacobellis supported it. The motion was unanimously accepted.

III. Michigan Alcohol Policy Conference:

Marie distributed copies of a handout regarding the Michigan Alcohol Policy (MAP) Conference that will take place on Tuesday, May 4th at the Okemos Conference Center. George Hacker, Director of the Alcohol Policies Project, will speak about Raising the Tax on Beer: A Modest Proposal That's Long Overdue. As the conference will cause a conflict with the regular Coalition meeting date, members present agreed that the May ISAP Coalition meeting will take place from 8:30 am to 10:30 am on May11, 2010. Rod MacDonald suggested that the ISAP Coalition be a \$100.00 sponsor for the MAP



Conference. Sponsorship would enable the coalition to set up a table at the conference, pay for an ISAP member's registration, and give us recognition on the MAP website and conference program.

Action: Marie called for a motion that the ISAP Coalition be a \$100.00 sponsor for the MAP Conference. Rod MacDonald made the motion and Harriett Dean supported it. The motion was unanimously accepted.

IV. Smoke Free Michigan:

Amy Moore presented. Amy distributed copies of two handouts: Quit Tobacco Resources 2010 and a flyer about the Dr. LeRoy M. Graham, MD "Not One More Life Program". Dr. Graham's conference will take place on Friday, September 17th and Saturday, September 18th, and is co-sponsored by the Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) and the Mid-Michigan Asthma Coalition. Amy also distributed "smoke-free home" decals from the ICHD. Amy presented a power point slide show outlining the protocols for the smoke-free Michigan law that will go into effect on May 1, 2010. She gave the website for information about the new law: www.michigan.gov/smokefreelaw.

Discussion: Amy stated that Michigan is the 38th state to go smoke-free. She stated the new law will go into effect at the opening of business on May 1st. She stated that restaurants and bars with outdoor patios will have to enforce no-smoking policies on their outdoor premises. Rod asked if establishments like these can be de-licensed if they break this law. Amy stated that they could, unless they modify their license as a food-selling establishment. Becky Allen stated that East Lansing restaurant/bar owners expressed concerns about the new law at the Responsible Hospitality Council meeting. They tend to feel that banning smoking from their outdoor patios will cause a crowd control issue. Amy responded that each bar/restaurant can designate a specific smoking area, but food and drink cannot be served in that area. If patrons are allowed to smoke at an outdoor patio, nothing could be served on the patio. Amy stated that any structure other than a home must be smoke-free. An individual who is a smoker can smoke in their own home if it is their workplace, up until the point that they bring in one or more employees or volunteers. This is true even if everyone in the workplace is a smoker. Amy stated that, in becoming smoke-free, business owners should think through where smokers should go to smoke around their establishment. A complaint process for violations should be included in the policy/employee handbook of the establishment. Businesses can create their own policies and the ICHD will enforce them. She stated that the ICHD wants to avoid the impression that the smoke-free law requires people to quit tobacco use. Quitting is a separate issue. Rod asked about enforcement of the law. Amy stated that the food inspector/health officer who inspects establishments twice yearly will be the enforcer. The budget for enforcement has been handed over to the state. Amy added that employees will probably have the most complaints about



violations. She stated that all 52 states have varying smoke-free laws and policies. Our new law is most like the state of New York's.

Marie stated that items on the agenda would be adjusted in the interest of time.

V. **Announcements:**

- **Ingham County Drug Fact Chat Day** – Marie distributed copies of volunteer forms for Ingham County Drug Fact Chat Day. She explained to new members present that this is a strategy that came out of the Youth Work Group. The National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) created Drug Fact Chat Days as a nationwide activity in 2008. In Ingham County, middle school students from Lansing, East Lansing and Stockbridge will participate by posting email questions regarding alcohol, tobacco and other drugs on-line. Marie suggested that ISAP members try to recruit adult volunteers for the event from among their friends, relatives and neighbors. Adult volunteers can act as moderators, researchers, or experts/editors. Volunteers can work from either 8:00 am to 11:30 am, or from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. Lunch will be served. A Spanish interpreter will be onsite. The activity will take place at the Eaton County ISD on Monday, May 17th. Parental questions will go to ISAP email and be posted to our website.
- **East Lansing Celebratory Committee** – Becky Allen presented. She explained to new members present that this committee was formed to be prepared for problems around drinking and celebratory events at Michigan State University (MSU) and the city of East Lansing, such as March Madness and Final Four celebrations. East Lansing restaurant and bar owners, East Lansing Police Chief Tom Wibert, and some MSU department heads sit on the committee. She stated that Harriett has been very helpful with their recent messages. She stated that MSU students are becoming increasingly aware that they are culpable when they are at the scene of a disturbance like the Cedarfest riots of recent years, whether they are participating or not. They are starting to understand that unlawful assembly includes bystanders. Cedar Village Apartment Complex and Cedarfest no longer pose the threat that they used to. Becky stated that there were no civil disruptions at this year's March Madness celebratory events, as opposed to recent years, due to combined efforts of law enforcement and the committee. Visual tactics such as table tents with prevention messages are employed by the committee. Becky stated that 60% of individuals who view a table tent remember what it says. Becky added that some East Lansing bar owners are not selling beverages by the can because they can become weapons during a disturbance. Several other best practice strategies are now used by East Lansing vendors. There are also 40 video cameras up around East Lansing and spot lights are instantly trained on anyone starting a disturbance during celebratory events. The offender is instantly taken away from the scene. Becky stated that East Lansing and MSU have become a model university community. Law enforcement officials representing Purdue, Indiana and Penn State Universities recently did a ride-along with Chief Wibert.



- **“Tri-County’s Got Talent for Alcohol Awareness Talent Show”** - Micki Fuhrman reminded ISAP members present that the talent show would take place this Saturday, April 17th from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at the Dewitt High School Auditorium in Dewitt, Michigan. Micki stated that 12 youth from the tri-county area would be competing.
- **MSU “Ducky Day”** - Becky stated that this annual MSU event took place on April 14th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, outside of Olin Health Center.
- **“Life of an Athlete” (LOA)** - Mike Tobias stated that John Underwood, creator of LOA, would be doing a presentation on Monday, April 18th at Waverly High School.
- Marie stated that Pat Wheeler was recently featured in John Schneider’s Lansing State Journal column. Pat explained that John had originally published a letter she sent him 3 years ago regarding the Gratitude Group. This is a group of local people in recovery from addiction who are affiliated with National Council on Alcoholism. Pat stated that they have become a very strong and effective group and have formed themselves as a non-profit. She recently sent an email to John regarding a \$100 per ticket fundraiser the group will be holding and this is what was featured in his column. It was suggested that the information be included in the ISAP facebook.
- Mike stated that he will be working with Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox next week on the de-listing of alcopops (removing the product from the shelves).

VI. S.W.O.T. Exercise – ISAP’s strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats:

Harriett Dean presented. She stated that we would brainstorm ideas for each of the four categories listed and she would record them on newsprint. Members present would then vote on the three that they thought to be the most compelling in each category by putting check marks next to them on the newsprint. Harriett stated that she would take a consensus of each category and send a report out to ISAP members.

VII. Adjourn:

10:30 am

