



**Spotswood Borough Municipal  
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### Meeting Minutes

Meeting – February 26, 2018

Meeting called to order by Dawn Crandall at 7:13pm.

#### Attendance:

##### Present:

Dawn Crandall  
Cheryl D'Armiento  
Danielle Shekailo  
Dean Sliker  
Edward Schapley  
Laura DeSiome  
Marcia Halbert  
Noreen Genthe

##### Absent:

Annette David  
Collene Wronko  
Kelly Sliker  
Maria Lundgren  
Nicole Gonnella  
Terry Salge  
Victoria Halbert

#### Minutes:

Minutes were read by Dawn Crandall. A vote was made to accept the January 22, 2018 minutes by Ed Schapley, Noreen second the vote. The vote was unanimous.

#### Old Business:

##### Project PRIDE:

Project PRIDE was held on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at the SHS and Memorial Middle School.

We had six trays of hot food, chips, sodas and desserts. Kids at high risk joined the prisoners for lunch for a one-on-one discussion with supervision.

Questionnaire needs to be created and sent to teachers who attended Project PRIDE.

##### Spotswood School District Staff In-Service Presentation:

The Doug Collier Drug Trends Presentation was held on Friday, February 16, 2018 to the entire Spotswood School District during their Staff In-Service.

Danielle Shekailo took care of ordering and picking up the food/supplies from Sam's Club and Shop Rite.

A survey was given to all in attendance at the beginning of the presentation. We received 133 surveys back.

Presentation went very well. Teachers and Principals felt it was very informative and learned a lot. They enjoyed the way Doug handled the presentation, and appreciated the food, snacks, drinks, and coffee.



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### **2018 Wall Calendar Fundraiser:**

Ed Schapely scheduled to sell calendars at Immaculate Church this Sunday March 4, 2018. Ed is going there tomorrow Tuesday, February 27, 2018. He will find out how many services and the time for each one. Ed will need someone from the Alliance to accompany him on Sunday to sell the calendars at Immaculate.

Four (4) calendars were sold at \$5 a pc to the teachers at the In-Staff Service Drug Presentation on Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. \$20 cash was given to Dawn by Danielle.

As per Dawn Crandall, Sixty-five (65) calendars were given to Collene Wronko for her to bring to Husky House. Husky house will sell and keep the money to use towards their facility.

In addition, calendars were sold and Dawn collected money from:

Laura DeSimone - \$80  
Sabatino - \$90  
Cheryl D'Armiento - \$30  
Marcia Halbert - \$70 (\$50 + \$20)

Ed Schapley has money in his box to give to Dawn as well.

### **Fiscal Review Meeting**

Our Fiscal Review Meeting with Charoulla Castanos-Beaton and Katherine Borgen was held on Friday, February 23rd at 9:30am at the Spotswood Municipal Complex.

Meeting flew by with a great outcome. The Spotswood Municipal Drug and Alcohol Alliance received a Positive Review and were told to keep up the great work! Our Alliance is on the right track. They are happy that we are successively holding fundraisers, to have all of our accomplishments available, and to see our upcoming activities and goals we have planned.

### **New Business:**

#### **Alliance County Meeting:**

The next Alliance County Meeting will be held in Spotswood on Monday, March 26, 2018. We will have it at the Spotswood Firehouse in order to accommodate all County Alliance Coordinators.

Dawn would like to order a gift. Last time, notebooks were ordered with the GCADA Logo and our name. That went over very well. Dawn would like to order them again. A new logo will need to be made since the GCADA logo has changed, and we need to include the new Middlesex county logo. Dawn will contact the company for the books. Danielle will work on the logo for them.

As per Charoulla during our Fiscal Review meeting, we have \$184.05 left over from our Community Outreach (NNO) that we can use towards buying the books for our Alliance County Meeting. Charoulla also informed us that we would need at least 30 books for the meeting.



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### **Alliance Food Equipment:**

Dawn Crandall spoke with Chief about the Alliance Food Equipment. Chief is looking to purchase a Shipment Container to keep all equipment in there for the PBA & Alliance. Shipment Container will be placed in the back of the Spotswood Police Department Headquarters.

### **Heroes and Cool Kids:**

Danielle Shekailo is in the process of either running a fundraiser or seeing how we can raise the money for the Heroes and Cool kids Scholastic Books that will be given to all the Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade students, each classroom library, and the school library.

Danielle is working with Melissa Hallerman from the Spotswood PTA to figure this out. We were also informed that the Schoenly Elementary "Character Walk" that is held in September/October of each school year was originated from the Heroes and Cool Kids program when it first started in Spotswood. All schools used to have the walk – Schoenly, Appleby & Memorial. It was originally called "Stomp Out Bullying", but was changed to "Character Walk" since many felt the name was too strong for Schoenly Elementary. All pledges collected from this walk are supposed to go to anti-bullying programs.

At this time, Schoenly is the only school that continues this walk every year. Both Danielle Shekailo and Melissa Hallerman spoke with Schoenly Principal Jennifer Asprocolas, and she has approved the use of the Pledge money to go towards the Scholastic Books for the Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade classes from the Heroes and Cool Kids Program.

### **NNO**

Looking to update and add pamphlets to give out at our NNO. We will have the Heroes and Cool Kids run a booth at our next NNO and represent our Alliance. They will give out our pamphlets and information about us. The Heroes and Cool Kids High School Students will receive community service for attending and representing. Danielle Shekailo already spoke with Jill Hetzler and she will have the students available for NNO.

In addition, we need to order cheese bags for our next NNO.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm**

**Next Alliance Meeting will be held on Monday, April 23, 2018 at 7pm.**

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