

# Education Committee Minutes

Thursday, March 17, 2022 – 1:30pm  
Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships, Altoona, PA

## Minutes

1. Welcome (Please sign in): **In Person-** Donny Hoffman (BDAP), Taylor Brown(BDAP), Jamie Strohmeyer (PHC), Ryan Beiswenger (BDAP), Stephanie Mcconnel (BDAP) Donna Gority (Community)  
**ZOOM-** Chris Farrel
2. Review of Minutes from February 17, 2022: Approved
3. Additions to the agenda: None
4. Marketing/Media
  - a. Spring Newsletter went out March 1<sup>st</sup>
    - i. Ideas for Summer newsletter June-August
5. DFC (Drug Free Communities)
  - a. Town Hall Topics
    1. Dr. Stainbrook- TruCare; Town Hall in May – date, time, place to confirm?  
**Not available last week in May**  
**Ok with two separate times/presentations-earlier for older people and later for younger people**  
**Need to decide one Date, Time, Place ASAP to have time to plan and promote**  
**Jamie suggested Blair Senior Services-have to find out if they will allow people to come in**  
**Donny suggested Overflow Church**  
**Donna suggested the older population at Blair Senior and then move to Overflow later for the younger population**  
**Jamie thinks May 19 is the actual Hepatitis Awareness Day**  
**Everyone agrees that Donny can just pick a date**  
**Center City Church is a possibility-Steph will get Donny the contact information**  
**Penn State Devore Center**
6. Partnership Presentations for the Partnership meetings
  - a. Suggestions/Approval:
    - i. *Recent Presentations: Methamphetamine, Sublocade, BDAP Annual Report, Scope Grant, Drug Recognition Expert, Recovery Support Services, Strengthening Families, FASD/Down syndrome*
      1. March-Jill presenting on CARES
      2. April-CYF presenting on a new program called Family First
      3. May-Mental Health Awareness Month-Aimee Burns (pending Judy's approval)  
**Good with presentations**
    - ii. **Chris suggested having the two girls from Hollidaysburg high school (with the mental health awareness clothing line) to give presentation**
    - iii. **Reach out to Jordyn regarding having her present**

7. Update on recent BDAP presentations
  - a. Prevention Presentations and Groups:
    - i. School presentations and groups – **frankstown elem – say no to alcohol tobacco and other drugs**  
**Michaela is in Claysburg now**
    - ii. **Schools are starting to talk about and promote Prom Promise**  
**March is Problem Gambling and Awareness Month-Donny was at Penn Highlands last week, will be there again this week, and next week will be \*\***
8. School District Updates/ Open Forum
  - a. **Young Entrepreneur Academy (YEA) – HS students come up with business ideas and present to real panel of investors who will invest their money into the ideas**  
**2 high school girls from Hollidaysburg who have come up with Mental Health Awareness clothing line-would like to connect them with BDAP (Brianna)**  
**Chris suggested Donny contact Tim Gildea to connect with the girls; Chris will let Tim know that Donny will be contacting him**  
**tpgildea@gmail.com**
  - b. Vape Take Back boxes in AASD – Updates

**Next meeting – Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 1:30pm at Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnerships, Altoona, PA, 16602 as well as a Zoom option available**