

Lakeland Area Community Meeting Group #30
Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2009

Topic	Discussion	Persons Involved
Introductions:	Introductions were done by those present; Craig Kerr (ILI), Carol Wright (GLITC), Tina Peterson (GLITC), Kathy Schroeder (BBBS), Cathy Kurtyka (LdF Youth Center), Karen Palmquist (Americorps PAC/VCYC), Pat Ustianowski (FRC) Audrianna Huffman(ILI), Rachel Ackley(ILI), Kim Berken (ILI), Megan Boos (ILI), Franny Atkinson	Craig Kerr-Facilitator
Review of Last Meeting	Craig recapped what was discussed at the last LAC meeting to update those who were unable to be with us last month.	Craig Kerr-Facilitator
The Community Plunge	<p>Craig started the meeting by talking about the approved strategies the students had picked to address AODA issues. He said that he thought the students could work and one or two strategies this year. The discussion then moved to posting AODA stats on the morning announcements in the commons; using art within the building to bring awareness to the problem of underage drinking. The students want to make an impact on their peers.</p> <p>Next the discussion moved to addressing the 4 core areas (Parent issues, Racism, AODA, and Youth issues) that the LACM identified a number of years back. The LACM has recently been mostly focusing on AODA the last several months. Some felt people who had been coming, stopped because the issue that they were passionate about was no longer being addressed. We discussed how we could address these other areas through our coalition.</p> <p>Craig gave a history of how the LACM started and the development of the meetings since its beginning.</p> <p>Pat suggested that we give parenting information in regards to “Parents who Host Lose the Most” to the schools so that they can post them on their website. Kathy suggested that we have a parent assembly directed at the issue of underage drinking and its effects on youth. Carol suggested that the students do a community scan on businesses where alcohol is sold and write to the businesses and ask them to secure areas that are easy to “get” alcohol.</p>	Group discussion
Listening to Youth	The students came into the meeting and they introduced themselves. The group summarized what we have been talking about. The students had very good perspectives on the issues and also had good suggestions. One of the suggestions was to have AODA stats on banners in the hallway in a foreign language and a couple of days later have it translated into English. This would be done to get student’s attention and have a bigger impact (with the curiosity).	Group discussion Local coalition support

	<p>The students also thought that we need to address drug use. The students mentioned stories of drug use within their peers and would like to address this.</p> <p>The final discussion was on the possibility of getting AODA messages out on billboards. Everyone was excited about this possibility.</p>	
Tasks Before Next Meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students/ILI Staff will talk with Administration about the banners and stats posted on the morning announcements . 2. Students/ILI staff will work to put a proposal together for the movie theater not to show any alcohol related ads before G. PG, and possibly PG-13 movies. 3. LACM members will bring resources to give to the schools to put into their websites and newsletters. 4. LACM members will get stats from other local coalitions to be used in the banner and announcement PSA. 	Group present and local coalitions
NEXT MEETING DATE:	November 11th 4:pm-5:30pm LUHS Library Media Center (LMC)	