

Oklahoma Prevention Leadership Committee Meeting
Oklahoma History Center - Fischer Board Room
800 Nazih Zuhdi Dr. Oklahoma City OK 73105
November 3rd, 2016
1:00 pm

1. Call to Order Michelle Stansel

Meeting Started at 1:00 with introductions.

2. Roll Call Michelle

In Attendance: Mackenzie Masion (OCADVSA), Brandi Woods-Littlejohn (OSDH), Steve Nedbalek (OSDH), Hannah DiPasquale (Wings of Hope), Cynthia Keys (Community Crisis Center), Rachele Eskridge (YWCAOKC), Alexis Bowie (YWCAOKC), Samantha Wade (DVIS), Elisa Sullivan (OU), Bliss Brown (WRC), Carl Beyer (OKNG), Aleigha Mariott (OSU), Remy Barnett (OCU), Kimberlea Harlow (OCU), Sheryl Milton (TAFB), Vanessa Morrison (FJC), Ana Lopez (FJC), Michelle Stansel (UCO), Toni Scheihing (OAG), Karla Docter (YWCAOKC).

3. Review and Approve May 26th, 2016 & August 4th, 2016 minutes Michelle

Michelle moved to approve the May 26th & August 4th minutes, Brandi Woods-Littlejohn seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

4. Member Spotlight Michelle

Brianna Ray was introduced as a Project SPEAK educator at UCO. She discussed spearheading an Honor Denim Day Symposium at UCO with key community partners for SAAM 2017. The community partners will decorate a pair of jeans representing how they feel in regards to sexual assault, and to put a face to our victims. The goal is to bring the epidemic of sexual assault to light and get people involved. She will be sending out a toolkit and invitation letter to organizations around Oklahoma in order for the HDD Symposium to be a statewide effort. They ask that everyone use the same hash tag so that we can accurately measure the efforts throughout our state. Michelle and Brianna asked that anybody willing to conduct their own symposium do so on April 27th so that it is in unison.

When asked for feedback, Cyndy said that media should be involved as soon as possible. Hannah asked for clarification on who all will be invited to host, and Michelle said that RCC's and College/University campuses will all receive the toolkits so that they can host their own symposiums and invite local partners. Mackenzie clarified that the toolkit will have all the steps that need to be taken in order to host the HDD Symposium.

5. Challenges Discussion

Michelle

Michelle stated that the responses to the survey sent out regarding challenges were as follows, evaluation process, understanding the needs of a particular community, creating an interesting newsletter, and updating social media. Mackenzie suggested a roundtable discussion where members can discuss challenges in hopes that someone else has faced the same challenge and has some insight to overcome it.

Bliss Brown from the Women's Resource Center asked for advice on how to deal with students who are not receptive and/or disrupt during her lessons. Sam said that she will bring up the lack of respect are showing her and how they is counter to her lessons, and if need be she asks them to leave the classroom. Rachele discussed meeting the students where they are and finding something they have in common so it make the student feel involved and welcome. Carl discussed how he handles combative audiences by putting constructs on consent in real life examples for them. Sam stated that another way of handling it is to put it on the rest of the class by asking peers to weigh in on the problematic statements, and that typically shifts the discussion back to the lesson. Mackenzie stated that offering the student time to speak after the class is an option so that you are validating what they say while redirecting the class back to the lesson. It was agreed that direct confrontation is a last ditch effort. Karla discussed being trauma-informed and trying to see past the outbursts by keeping in mind the past of the students and being positive will be more helpful to them. Cyndy said that she usually gives the children a platform to get things off their chest, and then allowing the class to move forward without interruptions.

Elisa Sullivan from OU said a challenge that she faces is getting students to show up to their events for OneSooner which is not a mandatory program on campus. One session was cancelled due to low attendance. She said they are trying to focus on the "why" of attending, and making that a focus when inviting students to attend so they know that they will be getting something out of the event whether that be leadership skills or more knowledge on gender-based violence. She also discussed free things like food and shirts are a good way to get buy-in from students. Cyndy suggested getting the professors on board with giving extra credit for attendance, and Mackenzie stated that she had luck with professors giving extra credit for attendance and a paper review of the event so that students learn from it. Michelle discussed the STLR program at UCO which allows students to swipe their student IDs and the event goes to a database that creates a resume of extracurricular events for their resume once they graduate. Karla and Michelle said reframing our events on positivity instead of negative things will get more attendance. Rachele mentioned focusing on what students will take away from the events, giving them things they can do to combat gender-based violence. Remy expressed difficulties in doing that while still following Clery Act requirements.

6. Sexual Violence Prevention Update

Rachele Eskridge

Rachele asked to do a roundtable where everyone mentions one thing that they are proud of in October, and then one thing they are looking forward to in the coming year.

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Michelle Stansel said that she was most proud of the Central Facebook discussion series her Project SPEAK office put on in October. Of the 17,000 students on campus she said they reached almost 7,500 with the videos. Every Monday and Friday throughout October they had different discussions about gender-based violence on Facebook Live. Moving forward she said she is most excited for the Honor Denim Day Symposium.

Brandi Woods-Littlejohn said that getting the RPE Continuation Grant was most exciting, and in the future she hopes to get Andreas position filled quickly.

Mackenzie Masion said she was most proud of being able to sit on a panel at Langston University for DVAM, and she is most looking forward to making sure Denim Day goes forward as a statewide initiative.

Steve Nedbalek is happy that he is getting calls from non-traditional organizations to conduct male focused programs in 2017.

Kimberlea Harlow stated that the "It's On Us" Pledge Day at OCU went really well and she is happy she could contribute to its growth. In an hour and a half they got 98 students to sign the pledge and she views that as extremely successful. In the coming year she is excited to focus on Bystander Intervention on her campus.

Remy Barnett echoes what Kimberlea about the "It's On Us" campaign and its success. She said she is excited to create her own curriculum on OCU's campus for LGBTQ alliance and issues from a Title IX lens.

Carl Beyer was able to elevate his program at OKNG, and in the coming quarter they will be facilitating a leadership training that he is excited about.

Hannah DiPasquale said that a church in Stillwater reached out to Wings of Hope to facilitate multiple events during October for DVAM regarding prevention, and in the coming months she is excited to team up with several schools for events during Teen Dating Violence Month.

Cyndy Keys has been trying to implement the community readiness model in her programs in order to get a solid evaluation on her work with the tribes in her area. She put a billboard up in her community that she is very proud of, and she is excited to work toward Denim Day for SAAM 2017.

Rachele Eskridge was most proud of speaking at Astec Charter Schools "Red Ribbon Week" and being able to incorporate the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles in her presentation to make it fun. In the future she is looking to do quite a bit for Digital Stalking during January- Stalking Awareness Month.

Alexus went to an "Askable Adults" Training that provided skill set training for adults working with teenagers on how to properly answer questions about sexuality, STI's etc.

Sam Wade stated that her program partnered with Tulsa Community College Campuses to conduct several "Process of Leaving" seminars that went very well for DVAM. She is most excited for TDVAM and her partnerships with the local Tulsa Public School District.

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Alegha Marriott discussed the partnership between OSU and Defineyourline.org which was very successful for their campus in determining healthy sexual boundaries.

Toni expressed that she was just happy to have survived September and October! She was happiest about the 35 year anniversary of Victims Compensation Act, and the luncheon held for it where Elizabeth Smart spoke.

Karla Docter had a busy month writing grants. She is looking forward to the 9th annual 2min5K with the YWCA on April 22nd, and challenged our partners to create teams for the event in support.

Vanessa Morrison is proud of the progress with the Family Justice Center and all that they have done revamping the building they will be housed in. She is very excited about the partners that are moving into the FJC. She said she is looking forward to attending more OPLC meetings and supporting the efforts collectively.

Sheryl Milton was proud of the “Holiday Period of Fun- Think Before You Drink” campaign they had over October. Their program focuses on alcohol-facilitated sexual assault. She looks forward to SAPM at Tinker for April that focuses on treating people with nothing less than dignity and respect.

Elisa Sullivan said that at OU several campaigns went out, one being Rape Awareness Week which consisted of stickers/resources/posters being posted in the Freshman Dorms. The reaction to the week was very positive. She is looking forward to further developing their freshman first-year program on Bystander Intervention to be more inclusive.

Bliss Brown was most proud of her students from the Boys & Girls Club in Norman being so involved in the prevention lessons and creating posters to place around the community for more awareness. She is most looking forward to WRCs event “An Evening with Ed Harris” which is their annual gala.

Brianna Ray was most excited to get the letter drafted for the HDD Symposium. She is looking forward to working with the Alternative Breaks on campus, and she is planning a trip on Spring Break focusing on social issues such as rape, DV, homelessness, and poverty in Chicago for members of the group to attend.

7. NSAC Review

Rachele

Mackenzie motioned to skip the NSAC review due to time constraints.

8. Announcements

Mackenzie Masion

Mackenzie announced that the PEPTALKOK website is down and will be up as soon as possible. She also stated that when the website is up she would like members to email her their community events so that she can post it on the calendar for everyone to see.

9. Evaluation

Mackenzie

Mackenzie passed out evaluations.

10. Adjournment

Michelle

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Next meeting will be Feb 2nd, 2016