[QPY] GENERAL COALITION MINUTES

Thursday, March 10, 2022 | 3:40 – 5:20 pm Quincy Middle School and Zoom QUINCY Partnership WWW Jor Youth

<u>Attendees</u>: Maria Valle, Austin Foglesong, Alfredo Aguilar, Jessica Alcaraz, Nubia Ramirez, Adriana Luna-Reyna, Paula Serrano, Karla Nunez Dayana Ruiz, and Megan Watson (Coordinator)

12 TOTAL ATTENDEES

	AGENDA ITEM	DETAILS
1	Call to Order (3:40 pm)	Welcoming Members read the vision, mission, and values Each attendee gave a description of what they are seeing in their sectors. We were updated about the work the city of Quincy is putting in to get a new pump park, field house, and trail system in Quincy. There are updates within Renew Behavioral Health and Wellness about how their crisis team may respond in communities. Concerns about parent involvement in school activities were discussed as well as some communication challenges that exist. We also had a brief discussion about the current state of housing in the community.
2	Business Items	 Strengthening Families Program: Adriana Luna-Reyna (program coordinator) indicated Friday will be week 5 of this round of programming. We are serving an average of 5 families per week. Adriana reports that there is a lot of good participation and she is hearing from families the positive changes they are experiencing at home due to putting to practice what they learn each week. We will recruit for our next round (which starts o5/31) at parent teacher conferences again. Mention was made about possibly working with DSHS as a referral stream. Vaping Discussion: We heard form one of our youth, Karla Nunez, that there is a lot of vaping and drug use in the schools she believes due to post-pandemic mental health issues. There was discussion that students may not feel supported as the pandemic has put a stop to much of the activities and supports they previously had. There was mention made that these issues may in fact be more exasperated at the middle school than the high school. Members mentioned part of this issue could be the short-staffing schools are experiencing right now. Karla felt that the schools should be more proactive than reactive. She would like to see some activities that focus on vaping and mental health awareness. Austin Foglesong and Dylan Kling offered to work with Karla for the upcoming mental health awareness week. They may also partner with SOS to find ways to promote healthy coping skills. Family Festival: Maria Valle provided us with the parade route and details for the upcoming Family Festival. QPY will work directly with Maria to support the upcoming event that will take place April 30th at QMS. Upcoming Events

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		 Strengthening Families- March 11, 2022- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Key Leader Event- March 24, 2022 5:30-8:00- Zoom access will be provided Starts With One media campaign- entire month of March- stop by QPY Facebook page to like and share our content Rx Take Back Day- April 30, 2022 Family Festival- April 30, 2022
3	Adjournment (5:20 pm)	Member Updates / Requests: Next Meetings: Thursday, April 14, 2022 3:30-5:00 pm at the Quincy Police Department- training room

MINUTES RECORDED BY – Megan Watson

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