



**MONROE COMMUNITY COALITION MINUTES**  
 Thursday, September 11, 2014

**Attendance:** Tammy Amador, Kerry Boone, JeNell Buchanan, Terry Cheshire, Fran Duckworth, Morgan Huber, Tom MacIntyre, Cherie Matyas, Amber Menta, Mary Myers, Sandra Olson, Dee Pender, Paola Saldana, Justin Springer, Elsa Trabanino

Guest: Camille Goldy, DBHR Systems Manager

**Staff:** Joe Neigel

**Sectors of Support represented at this meeting:** 8 (green = represented, white = not represented)

Youth	Parent	Law Enforcement
Civic/Volunteer Group	Business	Healthcare
Media	School	Youth Serving Organization
Mental Health	Religious/Fraternal Organization	Local Government
Chemical Dependency Treatment	Other Substance Abuse Org.	

- **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 1PM by Chair, Tom MacIntyre; welcome and introductions preceded agenda review.

- **Rules of Common Courtesy**

To kick-off the first Coalition meeting of the new school year, members engaged in a brief review of rules of common courtesy. We agreed to the following six points of general conduct:

1. No interrupting
2. Try to find common ground during points of disagreement
3. Recognize that everyone has a voice
4. Limit side conversations
5. Be consistent
6. Have fun!

- **Summer Accomplishments**

The Coalition reviewed its summer accomplishments, which included a Rotary Club presentation (with Kerry Boone and Pastor Michael Hanford); manning the new Coalition booth during National Night Out at Lake Tye Park (with JeNell Buchanan, Cherie Matyas, Kerry and Kaylee Boone, Sandra Olson and Tom MacIntyre); sending a panelist to represent the Coalition during Sno-Isle Libraries "Issues that Matter" series (with Kerry Boone and Justin Springer); and presenting the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study and Evidence-based Kernels to teachers at Park Place Middle School (with Joe Neigel – special thank you to Terry Cheshire)

- **Coalition Programs Update**

1. Youth Coalition: Contract and negotiations were complete, with a small hurdle to overcome before being able to move forward. Youth Coalition is expected to begin meeting in October.
2. The advertising contract with Galaxy Theater was renewed through June 30, 2015.
3. Washington State Prevention Summit: Registration is open for the summit, which runs October 20 and 21 in Yakima. Morgan Huber and Dave Ketchell will be attending on behalf of the Coalition.

- **Community Survey**

It's time to begin the annual community survey. The Coalition was asked to decide between four survey options for this year:

1. Core Survey (25 questions) with a Transgender demographic question
2. Core Survey without the Transgender question
3. Expanded Survey (31 questions) with a Transgender demographic question
4. Expanded Survey without the Transgender question

After some brief deliberation, the coalition elected to move forward with Option 3 – the expanded survey with the Transgender question. It was decided that the more accurate information we have about our community, the better we can respond to its needs. Coalition staff will submit the selected survey option to DBHR by September 30.

The transgender question simply reads:

“20. What is your gender?  Female  Male  Transgender”

- **Adjourn**