Coalition on Substance Abuse
July 12, 2018
Minutes

In Attendance: Andrew Kuchem, Jervic Capras, Kristina Nelson, Stephanie Schmidt (proxy for L. Gonzalez), Stephanie Majors, Claudia Ayala, Dr. Amanda Drum, Delaney Vampran-Foster

1. Welcome!
   a. brief overview of I-ADAPT’s efforts

2. CoSA Mission:
   The purpose of the Coalition on Substance Abuse (CoSA) is to support the mission of Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi by:
   • analyzing behavioral and perception trends,
   • advising on areas of concern and
   • promoting the use of best practices in the Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program.
   a. discussion of mission:
      i. the goal of CoSA is to serve as a representative and reporting body- members should report relevant data and research from their areas and share relevant CoSA information back to those areas
      ii. I-ADAPT was more focused on serving as a programmatic entity, CoSA will not follow this model, but will instead work to change policy and inform I-TEAM’s programming
         - example: CoSA might recommend that research be conducted into the message sent when a campus bookstore sells alcohol paraphernalia, appoint that someone should conduct this research, and eventually make a recommendation to the committee for action
      iii. CoSA will meet a minimum of 3 times each year, with a 4th meeting possible and likely depending on workflow

3. Roles and Expectations
   a. Amanda Drum, SEAS, Chair
   b. Claudia Ayala, UCC, Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor
   c. Delaney Foster, Engagement Initiatives – Programming update
   d. Alyssa Canales – ITEAM update
   e. UPD – data on AOD related calls (quarterly stats)
   f. Michael LaTorre – data on student conduct cases related to AOD (quarterly stats)
   g. Students – observations, representation and expertise
   h. Other University program areas – representation and information on AOD related items
i. Community Partners – opportunities for collaboration, local updates and expertise

4. Alcohol Survey
   a. the CORE was not conducted this previous spring for a variety of cost and implementation concerns
   b. CORE and/or other national tools may be used in the future
   c. a self-created assessment focusing on the most useful data was created and will be distributed beginning in mid-October

5. Biennial Review
   a. as a part of the Safe & Drug Free Schools Act, this information must be reported
   b. a sub-committee will be appointed to update previous reports
   c. this committee will consist of: Dr. Amanda Drum, Claudia Ayala, Delaney Vampran-Foster, Angela Walker, and a representative from Compliance Services
   d. each member has a stake in prevention programming

6. Search Committee/Community Panel
   a. a new position will exist starting in the fall, a Coordinator for Prevention
   b. this individual will focus solely on I-TEAM and Prevention work
   c. we will be soliciting members from this committee to serve on the community panel and search committee to ensure fit and qualifications of the candidate

7. Program update
   a. August 23: Momentum Wave Rave & Peace, Love, Consent
   b. August 27: Miramar Luau & Peace, Love, Consent
      i. programs are a collaboration between ADoS, I-TEAM, and Housing
      ii. will focus on the intersection of substance use and relationship violence
   c. I-CARE Update
      i. 9 suicide attempts over 2017-2018 year
      ii. a rise in suicidal ideation, some involving alcohol
      iii. students are increasingly using cannabis as a coping mechanism
   d. UPD Update
      i. an overall reduction in the number of arrests, possibly due to reduced use and possibly because UPD must now obtain consent to enter a resident’s room due to law changes
      ii. for the calendar year, the following citations have been issued
         1. Possible drug paraphernalia- 2
         2. Minor in Possession- 37
         3. Minor in Consumption- 2
         4. Public Intoxication- 2
      iii. for the calendar year, the following cases have been filed for prosecution
         1. Furnishing alcohol- 1
         2. Marijuana possession- 2
3. Dangerous Drug Possession- 1
4. Possession of Substance in Penalty Group 1- 1
5. Possession of Substance in Penalty Group 2- 1
6. Possession of Substance in Penalty Group 3- 1

iv. for the calendar year, UPD has seized the following
  1. Marijuana- 47.2 grams
  2. Pipes- 2
  3. Xanax - .1 gram
  4. Mylan- .3 grams
  5. Promethazine- .5 grams
  6. Grinder- 1
  7. Mushrooms- bag of unknown weight sent for testing
  8. Bongs- 2
  9. Scale- 1

8. Coalition updates
   a. none, in the future more representation will be present

9. Upcoming Meetings
   a. the committee is waiting on final appointment of students to the committee
   b. in hopes that the students will be active participants in future meetings, will wait
      to schedule 2018-2019 meetings until student availability is determined

10. Adjourn