



**MEETING MINUTES  
October 14, 2010**

**Mission**  
To increase suicide awareness and prevention.  
**AWARENESS. EDUCATION. ACTION.**

**Present:**

Tim Lineaweaver, Community Health Center	Maura Weir, Youth Suicide Grant Project Mgr.
Kathie Callahan, Barnstable County Human Services	John Bové, Mashpee Mental Health Center
Maura Wilson, Samaritans of Cape Cod	Leslie Moreland, MSPCC
Scott Fitzmaurice, CIGSYA	Sue Rohrbach, Senator O’Leary’s office
Ben Caswell, Wendell Marketing	Maryanne Worth, Nantucket Human Services
Patrick Wendell, Wendell Marketing	Gail Wilson, Mashpee Human Services
Kate McHugh, Barnstable Counseling Associates	Janice Matheson, Seniors Helping Seniors
Kathy Burnham, Cape Air	Steve Ryan, Dept. of Children & Families
Kathy Quatromoni, DA’s Office	Helene Hastings, Cape Cod Community College
David Munsell, NAMI Cape Cod	Steve Jochim, Dept. of Mental Health
Kerry Bickford, B.C. 4H, UMass Extension	

Unable to attend: Beth Albert, Beverly Costa-Ciavola, Kathleen Shine-O’Brien, Shirley Lamson, Linda Kelly, Paul Wild, Mark Abbott, Katie McMakin, Jenny Garneau, Richard Curcuru, Jonathan Ahnquist

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS:** All

**APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES:** Maura Wilson motioned, seconded by John Bove to accept the September minutes as written. Motion approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** YTD Report distributed. Current balance of funds: \$5558.60. Tim noted, more donations from the Falmouth Road Race forthcoming.

**WORKING GROUP UPDATES:**

**Elders- Gail Wilson:** About 40 responses received. Group will meet in 2 weeks to review results and put together a report which will be presented to the Coalition. They will also be working to put together a tool kit for practitioners.

**Events- Tim Lineaweaver:** Updated calendar of events distributed and reviewed. He noted that there have been several recent suicide completions in the Falmouth area. The Coalition has collaborated to hold a Community Forum on Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 – 7:30 PM at the Falmouth Public Library to discuss *Coping with Depression & Suicide: The Role of the Community*. Several clinicians will be in attendance as well as members of the Post Traumatic Stress Management Team. The PTSM team met with the Falmouth Police to offer support in light of recent events. The Falmouth Enterprise advertised the event on Tuesday and is also doing an article on depression for Friday’s edition. Discussion: pros and cons of showing the powerpoint presentation that the Coalition has put together. It was the consensus of the group that the powerpoint presentation should be shown with its viewing preceded by a brief overview by Tim. There will be a conference call on Friday at 12 noon to discuss logistics of the forum.

**Trainings:**

**Marketing:** Ben Caswell displayed the large posters that have been printed and distributed for posting for the Community Forums in October with Dr. Sally Spencer-Thomas. If anyone else would like posters to post contact Ben or see him after the meeting.

**Youth – Scott Fitzmaurice:** Group is reviewing national PSA's and will work on producing a local C&I PSA. They will need volunteers to participate in the filming. Also working on a gender specific brochure which is almost ready for print. Ben suggested including youth at the CISPC meetings via Skype. Coordinating an after school youth meeting at CIGSYA. Scott was commended on the great job with the C&I Teen Yellow Pages in collaboration with Cape Healing Arts.

**Advocacy:** No report

**Fundraising Tim Lineaweaver:** Tim reiterated the importance of fundraising efforts and the need for help with these efforts. He suggested expanding the Falmouth Road Race to a "Team" effort. Discussion about coordinating a signature event for the CISPC to raise funds and visibility for the Coalition. Ben Caswell pointed out that typically such events start off slow and increase momentum with longevity with increase in total \$\$ raised each year. Several types of fundraisers were discussed i.e. golf tourney, walk-a-thon, concert with local bands etc. Next step would be to hire a part-time coordinator for the Coalition. Contact Tim or Beth with any appropriate grant opportunities to accomplish this.

The question of becoming a 5013-C organization was raised. This process could be complicated. Scott will look into process & filing requirements. It was also noted that tax deductible donations can be made through the Cape Cod Foundation, the Coalition's fiscal agent.

**YOUTH PROJECT UPDATES – Maura Weir:** Maura distributed a flyer for the November 20<sup>th</sup> National Survivors of Suicide Day event at MSPCC in Hyannis. She also distributed an informational flyer for a free Youth Suicide Prevention training (ages 13-24) to be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5 – 7 PM at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center. Contact Maura at 774/392-5420 or mweir@chcofcapecod.org to reserve a space. There are several other trainings scheduled: November 21 at Corpus Christi Church in Sandwich from 6 – 8 PM, S.O.S. Teen Screening on November 4 at Harwich H.S. and a webinar on October 28<sup>th</sup> on how to set up a S.O.S. teen screening. Suicide prevention trainings to be scheduled: EMS personnel, Pope John Paul H.S., Mashpee H.S. would like to develop a Suicide Prevention Action Plan.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Maura is looking at where to get statistics for suicide attempts/completions in Massachusetts. She noted that Oregon has mandated reporting, Massachusetts does not. Discussion on trying to move legislation forward to mandate reporting in Massachusetts. Uniform reporting plays an important role in gathering statistics. Maura will work with Sue Rohrbach as to how to begin to approach this. Sue felt that Rep. Tim Madden would be a good contact. She will also contact Richard Curcuro at Cape Cod Healthcare to look at what role the hospitals can play in reporting efforts. EMS personnel are training to detect signs of a suicide attempt/completion and can include in their reports but this information is not gathered for statistical reporting purposes. Steve Ryan is on a Child Fatality Team that is mandated by legislation to look at the causes of death for children up to the age of 18. This team is chaired through the DA's office. They receive copies of police reports and death certificates in order to do their evaluations. Such mandated reporting would be advantageous to collect statistics for suicide attempts/completions.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM.**

**Next meeting: NEW DATE AND TIME (to accommodate Veteran's Day Holiday)**

**Thursday, November 4, 2010**

**Community Action Committee of C&I, 115 Enterprise Rd., Hyannis**

*DMH Crisis Team Hotline # is 1-800-322-1356*