

Metuchen Municipal Alliance
Meeting Minutes: February 9, 2012

Members Present:

Irene Morris-Nann – Chairperson
Dan Delmonaco
Kieran Esposito
Dave Liantonio – Police Liaison
Eileen Frowenfeld – BOE Liaison
Judy Cheung
Kris Dubon
Danielle McMahan

Mike Garni
Kathy Liss
Dorothy Rasmussen – Borough Council Liaison
Beatrice Moskowitz
Tara Matise
Mark McCreary
Michael Scheller
Emma Boughton

- The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Morris-Nann at 7:30 PM.
- New member Kiernan Esposito was welcomed.
- Minutes from the January 2012 meeting were approved.
- Irene Morris-Nann was approved as Chairperson of the Municipal Alliance through 2013
- Danielle McMahan was approved as Treasurer through 2013
- Dan Delmonaco was approved as Secretary through 2013
- Two Youth Alliance members and two adult Municipal Alliance members will be attending the CADCA midyear conference in Nashville, TN and Dave Liantonio submitted the grant to fund the trip.
- Chairperson Morris-Nann and Dave Liantonio are working on acquiring a County Competitive Grant of \$12,000. They are planning to use the money to fund the program “Across All Ages.” The new program will partner middle school and high school students with adult mentors and they will create a production dealing with addiction and/or mental illness. The program would be held after school at the Senior Center.
- Eileen Frowenfeld reported that the Board of Education is preparing the new budget, hiring a new director of curriculum, and keeping Board of Education elections for the Metuchen School Board in April.
- There was no new business to report from the Borough Council.
- The ongoing Municipal Alliance Underage Drinking Survey was discussed. As of February 9, 18% who took the survey believed it was alright for teens to drink under their parents’ supervision. The wording regarding a particular question involving parents serving children alcohol in their homes was discussed. Members stated their own personal opinions about the question and this topic.
- Kris Dubon told the Alliance that she and Chairperson Morris-Nann compiled a list of contacts from the Metuchen Chamber of Commerce and other local businesses. These businesses will be sent letters asking for their support and sponsorship of the Metuchen Municipal Alliance and the Agenda Book.

- Members present prepared letters and stuffed envelopes that will be sent to the list of businesses compiled by Kris Dubon, asking for their support of the Municipal Alliance.
- The established committees had a “breakout session” and discussed their future activities and plans within their smaller groups.