

Youth Issues
February 8th, 2017

Present: Julie Russell, Molly Lloyd, Nick Knoblauch, Cody Kinzer, Tom Herzog, Kristi Mobley, Darlynn Williams, Karalee Mulkey and Julie Riley

Minutes were approved.

Kristi said that SADD met last week, and 15 youth participated. The talent show is scheduled for March 9th. Students put tri-fold table tents at area restaurants that listed Random Acts of Kindness and information about the SADD organization.

Julie Russell reported that the Through with Chew display is at the school, and will be moved to the courthouse lobby. She said that Paper Tigers will be shown at Baker, Plevna and Ekalaka. The follow-up ACES Training will be held in Plevna on March 17th. ACES in Ekalaka will be held in August.

Molly reported that dental screening is scheduled for February 14th, for country schools. Biddle students will be distributing Valentine cards to nursing home residents. Julie Russell will present anti-tobacco information, Random Acts of Kindness and celebrating who you are education.

Karalee reported that funds are available through ESAA for mental health awareness programs.

Cody and Darlynn discussed the need for parenting classes. Julie Riley said that Extension could offer classes through an Active Parenting curriculum. Childcare and food would need to be available. An ESAA grant could help sponsor the parenting classes.

Kristi reported that Officer Riddick spoke to about 25 people on Internet Safety. Julie Russell said Riddick would be coming back March 16th to be a part of the Positive Choices educational classes held at the High School, which is held prior to Prom.

Karalee said that she plans to work with the VFW to bring in education on suicide prevention.

Julie Riley said she is attending a YAM training, a Youth Aware of Mental Health program that targets high school youth.

April would be a great time to offer the Mental Health First Aid Training in Broadus.

Cody discussed the need for a Toys for Tots program. Darlynn discussed a similar program, the tree of giving, currently available in Broadus. Cody, Kristi and Dori will work with Darlynn to meet kids' needs for clothing and toys. Julie Riley said that Miles City has a facebook site that connects people in need with those who can give. Tom said that as kids go into summer, they might enjoy items that help them become more active such as balls, Frisbees, etc.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 1st, at 8:30 a.m.

Thanks!

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