

# Safe and Drug Free Schools Advisory Council Meeting

## Beaverton Rural Schools

Minutes from  
October 2, 2009

1. Introductions

Attendance – Sarah Kile (Ten-Sixteen Prevention Specialist)  
Arlene Kreger (Central Michigan Counseling Services)  
Deb Philaja (MS Counselor)  
Jessica Evans (SDFS Coordinator/HS Counselor)

2. 2008-2009 year end report

\*\* See attached summaries.

3. Review of 2009-2010 Application

**a. Life Skills Training**

**b. Strengthen Families Program**

\*\* These programs will be included in the grant application again this year. These services are provided through the Central Michigan Counseling Services at a reduced or no cost to the families. Since participation has been way down the past two years, there will be an effort to increase referrals through the Student Assistance program.

**c. Second Step**

\*\* Second Step was voted to not be included, despite that it is a strong program. There has been a lack of instructor for the past two years and there is alternate programming not funded through this grant that is being implemented in the district.

Because this had been our only program under the Violence attitude goal, the advisory committee decided to instead focus on referrals to CMCS for students to complete the anger management portion of the Life Skills Training, which is already part of the grant. Even though this impacts fewer students than a broader, school-based program, the committee felt that with the other programming being done in the schools, this would be a better focus so that we were not overlapping material.

**d. Too Smart to Start (Club Pride)**

\*\* Club Pride under the umbrella of Too Smart to Start will be included in the grant application. It was closely reviewed last year by the grant

because it is not an exemplary or promising program. We will write it in again this year with the understanding that it may be rejected. It is a long-standing program in the MS.

- e. **Project ALERT**
- f. **Protecting You/Protecting Me**
- g. **Class Action**
- h. **Project Success**

\*\* These 4 programs are provided by Sarah Kile through the Ten-Sixteen Recovery Network. She will continue to provide this programming to 4-10<sup>th</sup> graders. Each year, these programs have proven to be effective and the partnership with Sarah Kile has been very positive for the district.

4. Next Meeting scheduled for **January 15, 2010 at 2:00 pm.**

5. Other?

\*\* Sarah Kile received a grant to fund National Red Ribbon Week activities in Gladwin County. Members of the committee are going to help promote this week in the schools and community. The HS student council will be asked to help with promotional activities.

\*\* There will be a Bridges out of Poverty Training on Friday, October 23 at Gladwin High School. The training will be from 9 am – 4pm. Sarah Kile will be the presenter as she was trained last year through SDFS funding. It will be a great FREE opportunity for school and community members.