

Raymond Coalition For Youth ~ Meeting Minutes
August 10
, 2023 ~ 9:00 – 10:30 am
In Person at Raymond Baptist Church Basement



Present: 26

School	Paula Oliveira, LRES Asst Principal Jessica Benson, LRES Principal Kera Clements, LRES PTO Tom Waldron, IHGMS Principal Joanne McCann, RHS Vice Principal
Health Care	Carrie Chooljian, Lamprey Health Care Annalise Poirier, Lamprey Health Care Carli Hughes, SNAHEC Samantha Areson, Seacoast PHN
Town/ Government	Caulin Gagne, NH Army National Guard Jeff Trahant, DHHS, DCFY, BJJS Michelle Weaver, Raymond Recreation Tammy Reardon, Raymond Recreation Kristen Buckman, Dudley Tucker Library Crissy Kantor, Manchester Alderman
Youth Serving	Pamela Turcotte - RCFY Finance Coordinator Celeste Clark - Exec Director, RCFY Pam Baker - RCFY Program Coord
Youth	Kaylee McGlynn - Youth Action Marissa McGlynn - Youth Action Jessica Palazzola, Waypoint
Service Organizations	Lindsay Gilbert, Connor's Climb Foundation Nadine Lamontagne, Unite Us Karen Morton-Clark, Recovery Friendly Wkplce
Community Organizations	Rich McCarthy, KellerWilliams Charity Paula Frenette, Raymond Area Rotary

Welcomes, Introductions, Announcements were made.

Celeste talked today about connections and what RCFY is all about. She asked the attendees what does the Coalition mean to you? There was a lot of discussion among people who have been connected to the Coalition for a number of years and how they first got involved.

There were a lot of new attendees including the new management at all three schools so it was a good introduction for them to understand the Coalition and it's mission.

There was then discussion about Red Ribbon Week which falls between October 23 and October 31. Some of the ideas discussed were Lights On Afterschool on Oct 26, 2023, adding a bulletin board at the Middle School and signs at local businesses along with Red Ribbons. Another suggestion was to add a banner at the front of the Old First Station next to Town Hall.

- The Back to school Wellness Fair for SAU staff will be August 24 between 11 and 1 at the Middle School.
- Fall Family Festival/Touch A Truck will be at the Elementary School on October 14 from 10 to 1.
- Prevention Summit is scheduled for October 20, 2023

- Fundraising Gala is scheduled for March 23, 2024
- Fall RX Take Back will be held at Hannafords on Saturday, October 28.
- The Raymond Area Rotary is holding it's annual Thunder Run on 9/9/23 at Candia Springs. They would welcome volunteers.
- Homecoming for all the schools will be October 7, 2023.

Thank you for joining us today, being an RCFY advocate, passing along the information learned today, and encouraging others to learn more and get involved.

Next Meetings September 14, October 12, November 9 and December 14

Mission Statement:

The Raymond Coalition For Youth empowers the community to promote positive youth development and reduce youth substance use and suicide risk.

Promoting Positive Healthy Choices for our Youth!

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