

Raymond Coalition For Youth ~ Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2023 ~ 9:00 – 10:30 am
In Person at Raymond Baptist Church Basement



Present: 25

School	Patrick Arsenault, LEAP Kristen Doherty, RHS Sam Horrigan, SAU33 Joseph Saulnier, Raymond School Board
Parent/Guardian/Grandparent	Kera Clements, PTO Marcia Garber
Town/ Government	Kristen Buckman, Dudley Tucker Library Jeff Trahant, DCYF, JPPO
Youth Serving	Pamela Turcotte - RCFY Finance Coordinator Celeste Clark - Exec Director, RCFY Pam Baker - RCFY Program Coord Amy Michaels, Portsmouth Youth Wellness
Substance Prevention	Karen Morton-Clark, Recovery Friendly WP JJessie Hurlbert, Austin 17 House
Health Professionals	Ashley Stratton, AmeriHealthCaritas NH Annalise Poirier, Lamprey Health Care Kim Coronis, Breathe New Hampshire
Service Organizations	Mary Sateary, Safe Harbour Samantha Aronson, Seacoast PHN Lindsay Gilbert, Connors Climb foundation Paula Frenette, Raymond Rotary Pat Calley, Raymond Rotary
Faith Organizations Volunteers	David Newton, Raymond Baptist Church Jim Tuttle Bill Sparks

Welcomes, Introductions, Announcements were made.

Celeste opened the meeting and asked if anyone had anything to share. There was a discussion about the need for the Coalition to find space to move to by 1/24/24.

The talk then turned to our Calendar of events and programs for 2024. Our next event will be Family Fun Night on January 12, 2024 and how organizations can sign up to be a part of it. Project Safeguard is also in the works and we will be looking for speakers, more information to come.

She then introduced today's speaker, Jessie Hurlbert from Austin 17 house. She spoke about the opportunities available to young people and especially about Fight Club 17. Fight club is a safe place for youth who need support and services. Serving youth 13-18 who are directly impacted by substance misuse, mental illness, addiction of all kinds and youth who have been referred through the criminal justice system.

Additional information on the programs available can be found on their website at www.austin17house.org.

Updates:

- Family Fun Night January 12, 2024 at the Middle School
- Fundraising Gala is scheduled for March 23, 2024

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 January 11, 2024, February 8, 2024, March 14, 2024

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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