



**Juneau Suicide Prevention Coalition  
Minutes for Public Awareness/Training Committee  
Tuesday, October 13, 2015, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.  
Bartlett Hospital Administration Building**

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**Present:** Hilary Young (JYS), April Rezendes (JPHC), Gus Marx (JYS), Kevin Ritchie (After-school Coalition)

**Grant Update: Strategic Plan:** Alice Rarig and Julie Neyhart are making progress on the logic model, which is a requirement of the Strategic Plan. The Strategic Planning group will be meeting October 19.

**Hiring new Public Awareness Staff Position:** Hilary, Julie, and Kevin have interviewed two candidates for the Public Awareness position, with the third interview to happen within the next few days. They plan to offer one of the applicants the position next week.

**Media Reporting:** Hilary discussed the *Empire's* tentative plan for a three-part story about suicide. Given the recent string of suicides in Hooper's Bay, now would be a good time to talk with the public.

**Training Update:** Kevin reiterated that we need to increase the training efforts, and that training is a key to community awareness of the topic of suicide prevention. Betsy from UAS would be a good resource for Assist training, which is a more in-depth training that covers intervention unlike QPR which is more of an overview. We are hoping the new Public Awareness staff (once he or she is hired) will be able to push training to the forefront again.

**Other Business:** Hilary will be on vacation October 29-November 4.  
Gayle has distributed 8-10 Postvention Packets in the past couple of weeks.  
Hilary has been creating a Postvention Packet for kids.  
\*The "Hasty Half" half marathon donated \$3,500 to JSPC. Kris Sell spoke before the race.  
The Juneau Suicide Prevention Coalition has also received two donations through Paypal via the websites. Hilary will work on Thank You letters.

**Partner Report:** Grace Elliot has coordinated the Community of Compassion event to be on October 14 at the KTOO studios. Public Health is revitalizing MAP, and is wondering if Collective Impact might be a good approach to these topics (healthcare accessibility, homelessness, daycare, family activities).

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 3:30 p.m. at Bartlett Hospital Admin. Bldg.**

Submitted by Gus Marx