

# **MEETING: Drowning Prevention Coalition of Arizona General meeting**

Date: November 12, 2009

Phoenix Fire Headquarters

## **BOARD MEMBER ATTENDEES**

<b>Ed Huntsman</b>	Yes	<b>John Harrington</b>	Yes	<b>Jay Arthur</b>	Yes
<b>Lori Schmidt</b>	Yes	<b>Tiffaney Isaacson</b>	Yes	<b>Linda Kirby</b>	No
<b>Ed Swift</b>	Yes	<b>Michele Long</b>	No	<b>Tracey Fejt</b>	No
<b>Bev Burns</b>	No	<b>Tracy Koslowski</b>	Yes	<b>Jon Spezzacatena</b>	Yes
<b>Marin Davies</b>	Yes				

## **ADVISORY COUNCIL ATTENDEES**

<b>Tim Flood</b>	No	<b>Robin Neal</b>	No	<b>Gillian Needham</b>	No
<b>Tina Royer</b>	No	<b>Mike Tellef</b>	No	<b>Dewey Leitch</b>	No

## **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES**

Staci Glass, Hacienda Healthcare  
Lisa Kutis, Glendale Fire  
Marissa, Association for Supportive Healthcare  
Dewey Leitch, SRP Safety Connection

<b>AGENDA</b>	<b>DISCUSSION &amp; ACTION</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE PARTY &amp; FOLLOW</b>
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		<b>UP</b>
<b>Welcome and introductions</b>	Lori welcomed speaker BOD members and guest speaker.	
<b>Guest speaker</b>	<p>Staci Glass discussed the story of “Isaih,” of Mesa, who fell into an irrigation canal. He survived, but suffered neurological impairment.</p> <p>It was founded in 1966, by a mother of special needs children. A local attorney and pastor helped her begin the facility.</p> <p>The organization cares for children and adults, and they touch about 2,000 lives a year. Their programs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• intermediate and skilled nursing facilities. Their main campus includes 100 patients.</li> <li>• five group homes, with a sixth to open.</li> <li>• Los Ninos hospital, which takes referrals from local hospitals. Los Ninos provides respite care, in addition to hospital services. Typically patients come through referrals within the medial system.</li> <li>• An early intervention program for children with developmental disability to provide therapy for children.</li> <li>• Home health care.</li> <li>• Children’s Angel Foundation, which is the fundraising organization.</li> </ul> <p>Staci discussed the effect of non-fatal drownings upon families, including many who do not participate in the care of the children. Volunteers are always needed.</p>	

	<p>They have an early intervention program for children with developmental disability to provide therapy for children. They operate a thrift center to benefit their programs. Donations to the thrift center are always needed.</p> <p>She shared their recent “Prom” event, which was suggested by one of their patients. It was profiled on <a href="http://www.AZfamily.com">www.AZfamily.com</a>.</p> <p>Their needs vary from case to case, but overall, they need assistance with strategic planning, media referrals, items for the thrift and boutique, and volunteers.</p>	
<b>NDPA Update</b>	<p>Call for presentations for the conference is due tomorrow. Conference is to have pre-event CEU activities and post-event national summit.</p> <p>The conference is scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at Sheraton Station Square in Pittsburgh, PA.</p>	
<b>Media</b>	<p><u>In the news</u> – Tucson had an adult drowning this morning, a 67 year old female in an apartment complex pool.</p>	
<b>Website</b>	<p>Ed discussed the DPCA website and the resources that can be found on it.</p> <p>Scholarship in honor of Kerry Martin has been developed, and information is up on website.</p> <p>Several items are to be added, including newsletter information.</p>	

<b>Events</b>	<p>Tracy Koslowski advised that <u>Tucson's Water Safety Day</u> is set for Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at Edith Ball Aquatic Center. 700 children are expected to attend. They are also developing third grade curriculum and planning a December press conference.</p> <p>Water Watcher's <u>Water Safety is for YOU Day</u> is set for Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at Glendale Community College. Approximately 1400 students have expressed an interest in attending, 1200 will be attending, pending sponsor approvals.</p> <p>East Valley Water Walk is in planning. This is the fourth year of the effort, which began in Mesa.</p> <p>Focus group opportunities are available through Phoenix Children's Hospital for parents.</p>	
<b>Membership</b>	<p>Recent notes were sent to members who needed to update their memberships with DPCA.</p>	
<b>Financials</b>	<p>Ed provided balance sheet detailing balance of \$16,000.</p> <p>Marin discussed United Way donations, which can be directed to DPCA, as well as to the Adopt-A-Pool fence program. She discussed the form and process.</p>	
<b>Roundtable</b>	<p>Lori discussed AZDHS change for 2010 in data collection and analysis related to water-related incidents in Maricopa County.</p> <p>Adopt-A-Pool fence is in a three year planning process at this time with their program, as part of their grant process.</p>	

	<p>Marissa, with Association for Supportive Healthcare, advised of a recent injury prevention program addition, including drowning prevention.</p> <p>Dewey advised of SRP's work, including goals to include safety information in pediatrician offices, curriculum development for children under the age of five.</p> <p>Ed Huntsman advised of a recent "Day at the Lake" CPR event which went very well.</p>	
<b>Next meeting</b>	Next general meeting is set for Thursday, January 14 <sup>th</sup> , at Hacienda Healthcare, located at 1402 E. South Mountain Avenue, in Phoenix (West of 16 <sup>th</sup> Street and South of Baseline.)	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Lori adjourned the meeting at 2:05 pm._____.	