

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS

March 27, 2003

3:00 PM

Chairman O'Neil called the meeting to order.

Present: Alderman O'Neil, Alderman Pinard, Frank Bass, Marty Boldin, Ron Caron, Louis Craig, Amy Hanulec, Joe Harding, David Scannell, Ellie Therrien and Tom Jordan

Absent: Chief Driscoll, Sgt. Kelly, Detective Fuller, Laurel Buccino, Judy Cooper, Elaine Douville, Tess Gomes, Linda King, Kera MacKenzie, Traci McCarthy, John Rist, Fred Rusczek and John Stephen

Messrs: LuAnn Oatman, Tom Farrell, Dr. Grace Sullivan

Chairman O'Neil stated I'd like to welcome two new guests, and I'd like them to introduce themselves.

LuAnn Oatman stated I'm the Executive Director of Makin' It Happen.

Tom Farrell stated I'm from Friends of Recovery.

City Clerk Bernier stated I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce Valerie Fysh who is the new staff member in our City Clerk's Office and you'll probably be seeing her around in the next several years.

Chairman O'Neil addressed the meeting minutes of February 27, 2003:

On motion of Alderman Pinard, duly seconded by Frank Bass, it was voted to accept the meeting minutes of February 27, 2003.

Chairman O'Neil stated at this time I would like to go off the agenda and invite Dr. Grace Sullivan up. Dr. Sullivan was actually on vacation at the last meeting and we didn't think it appropriate to have her come in. A well deserved vacation. She will...if you recall at the last meeting Diane Proulx talked about opportunities to do items with billings that go out on the City and the other avenue we have is Manchester Community Television (MCTV) and I believe since the last meeting Alderman Pinard has actually done his show on this topic. But Dr. Sullivan would you just update us on maybe some opportunities for the Committee and...

Dr. Sullivan stated well for the past 11 years while MCTV has been in existence we've done a lot of programs on drug and alcohol issues. Many of you have been on those programs and hopefully many of you will be on the programs in the future. One of the things that I think right off in terms of availability is our bulletin board system. The community announcement system that we have running on three channels and that is...we have anywhere from 120 to 150 bulletin board announcements rotating throughout the day. It takes about 30 to 45 minutes to read all the announcements but you'd be surprised at how many announcements we do get from education, government and non-profit. So if you were having an event, you could talk about that event on a simple slot; when the event's going to be, the time, the place and phone number of web site. But more importantly if you just wanted to get out information about the hours of your operation you could have that on and we'd always run that. That's one thing that people are always looking to is the simple announcement. In fact before I came one of the schools...a mom from one of the schools called to talk about an event they were having for the people that are serving over in Iraq right now. The other thing is that you could do programs. We have three channels. The program that Real did was on his public access program. We have also the educational channel and we have the government channel that you could do programs on. The government channel you might take availability from the Health Department and do a program with Sue Gagnon who produces the public health show. They've done program already about alcohol and drug issues and I'm sure they'd be willing...more than happy to do that. You might want to do a government prospective program just on this Committee's work. An in depth program about what you're doing. You might want to do a series of programs and we'd be more than happy to sit down and work with you to produce those programs. You might want to do some things out in the field, events that might be happening. Symposiums out in the field that you might be doing. We've worked a lot with the Child Health Services about some of the things having to do with the impact of media on children and adolescents in terms of adolescent behavior in regards to alcohol and drug abuse. And we're looking forward to doing more of those events and working with them and partnering with them on how the media impact on adolescent behavior...behavior that's really not healthy for them to engage in. The other thing that you might want to do is to do an educational access program. In the next couple of weeks I'll be doing a program which I've done before with Dan Duvall talking about some of the ways he counsels kids on...kids who have gotten into some risky behavior and counsels kids on not getting into risky behavior. So you might want to do an educational program that's very focused on parenting, how parents can help their kids, how you might want to do a program that oriented towards just middle school kids, high school kids. It's really just the direction that this Committee would want to go in. MCTV is here to serve the community and we'd be more than willing to work with you in any way possible.

Chairman O'Neil asked are there any questions for Dr. Sullivan.

Joe Harding stated we're planning to do a forum on May 12th and...so I have a couple of questions relating to that. First is in the area of promoting the forum and we've talked about maybe we could put that on the bulletin board as one way...somebody else had mentioned the possibility of we could do a couple of key interviews with people that would talk about how the alcohol and drug issues impact on the City or on their agencies or institutions, so it might be two minutes with Aldermen O'Neil and Pinard and maybe with Lou Craig or somebody from the Police Department as a way to promote this forum that's taking place on May 12th.

Dr. Sullivan replied right it would make a lot of sense. It would really be a promo for the event. Play it at least the weekend before...or at least a week before. Say this is coming up...even two weeks before depending on when you want your RSVP response back. So I would...I have a tendency to want to do more in depth, because if you have Louis Craig on I have a feeling he's going to talk more than two minutes because he's got a lot of good information. So that's...what I'm saying is sometimes it better to have a series of programs with two or three people that go in depth about the issue rather than just that two minutes sound bite kind of thing. That's just I think the beauty of what MCTV can do is more in depth programming.

Mr. Harding asked how would we go about doing more in depth programming?

Dr. Sullivan answered you would probably give me a call at 628-6099 and then, or email me. Louis comes in a lot. Louis could host his own show. That's the other thing. Somebody from this Committee could be the host to do the in depth discussion if he/she wanted to. And we'd be happy to help produce it as a government program. As an education program it's another...it would take a different focus if it was on the educational channel.

Mr. Harding stated and then actually the forum itself could that be aired on MCTV?

Dr. Sullivan asked is this the forum that has to do with this Committee?

Mr. Harding answered yes.

Dr. Sullivan continued so what we do is you send over the date we put it on our calendar, we put the time on, we talk...we'd assign it and we'd do it.

Mr. Harding added May 12th 7 – 9pm.

Dr. Sullivan asked do you know where it is?

Mr. Harding answered right here.

Dr. Sullivan stated that's great because the cameras are here.

Chairman O'Neil added purposely scheduled that way Dr. Sullivan. We know it makes it easier for your staff doing it here.

Mr. Harding stated a question related to that. We've talked about different formats that we might use and one is to have people sign up ahead of time and come up to a stationary podium or another method that was used at a Governor's Commission forum is that the Moderator went around to people in the room. First of all I guess I would have to ask is there a portable mike and if there is, can the cameras catch people no matter where they are in the room?

Dr. Sullivan answered yes we can do that. I think it depend... we would sit down and the government access coordinator Jim and I would probably speak to Leo about what's the best way to do it. It might be better...it depends...

Chairman O'Neil stated although this is probably the best set up because that camera there can catch everyone.

Mr. Harding stated so to have people come up...there were some pluses on doing it both ways. If the Moderator went around the room to do it, if they were hearing from for instance if five white guys 40 years old and were the first 10 people to testify you might want to hear from somebody else and the Moderator could then say OK let's hear from a young person, let's hear from a woman or a senior citizen.

Dr. Sullivan stated it think that all has to do with the production and also you have to have someone who is comfortable walking around with the camera saying you're the four white guys you know.

Chairman O'Neil asked Dr. Sullivan would we want to coordinate that with Jim McLean?

Dr. Sullivan answered I think yes we could coordinate it. That would be a production meeting that we'd have, which I have a feeling that you have a lot of ideas about production.

Chairman O'Neil stated between chairs of the committee, your staff and Mr. Bernier's staff, they could work that out.

Dr. Sullivan replied yes and we'd probably come here and work it out and see which works out the best.

Dr. Frank Bass asked Dr. Sullivan what kind of feedback do you get from the community when you air shows? Let's assume a show goes out and there are people that really like it. Do you get a vast response? Versus suppose a show goes out and people have a problem with it. Do you get a vast response?

Dr. Sullivan replied I think we get a lot of response over different programs and it's different...we get a lot of phone calls or we'll get emails. For example if there's something on...if you get two or three phone calls about something that aired over the weekend, people are going to say I missed part of it I want to see...I've heard about it could you show it again. So we get a lot of please repeat. That's why we do repetitive programming and we do get a lot of phone calls. We also just get a lot of...like I said a lot of people in this room have been on MCTV and the next day you're out and about the community, what do people say to you. I saw you on TV. People are very much engaged in their local community and so this dialogue, I mean this is being shown right now and this will be repeated for people who are working so they can see it at night or on the weekend. So this...when you think about MCTV it's really where people are engaging in a community dialogue. We get a lot of feedback just when I walk into the Y and people tell me I like this show and that was good you had that on. Anything having to do with getting information out about what's going on in the local government people want.

Dr. Bass stated my follow up question would be then if we were to do a series on this issue then we would have an opportunity to make a significant impact in the Manchester community because there are a lot of people who do watch this show and who do react. Either reacting by talking to us when they see us on the street or by emailing or calling you about the show.

Dr. Sullivan responded again I think that because the dialogue has already taken place I think people start to think about the issue more, and it also makes me think just working with Child Health Services and the Coalition on Media Literacy, it has made me think totally differently this year when I'm interviewing students and really thinking about the kinds of things that they're doing. Today I did an interview with music students from the high schools and talking about how being engaged in what they do in music and the band how that has kept them from the temptations of getting involved with drugs and alcohol. So it's made me think differently, so I think it is really...it's focused the issue of drug and alcohol awareness in the community and MCTV reflects what going on in the community.

Louis Craig stated Grace welcome to our committee. One of the things that came up and we were kind of curious about, would MCTV go to an...hypothetically go to an agency and interview the executive director about the specific programs. In other words do you have traveling cameras? Is that something that you would do?

Dr. Sullivan replied we've been out there before. We did neighborhood center last year...we like to go out. We like to leave the studio, especially this time of year. I know that when you were at New Horizons we did some projects at New Horizons. And we'd be more than happy to.

Mr. Craig stated there's a vast number of agencies, a lot of us sitting here deal with drugs and alcohol related problems and if your cameraman went out and got to not just the executive director but other people affected by drugs and alcohol as well.

Dr. Sullivan responded that really I think has an impact when we go out and we talk to the people that are utilizing services. That's really...I think has a big impact on people.

Mr. Craig replied that's good to know. And I don't know if we can get this done before, Mr. Chairman, as we progress.

Chairman O'Neil stated Grace to play off a little bit with what the Chief was saying, we really need some people from this Committee. Would it make life easier if they became producers?

Dr. Sullivan replied I think it would be good if we sat...the people that would like to be involved should sit down at a meeting...at a more in depth production meeting. They realistically...what it is you want to get done and prioritize a few agencies rather than trying to...

Chairman O'Neil added for instance I believe Alderman Pinard and I think Dr. Bass are both producers.

Dr. Sullivan responded right.

Chairman O'Neil stated they may be the only ones, and I'll be correct if not, but...so they have their shows, Alderman Pinard's on public access. I believe Dr. Bass is on the education channel. But to me that would make some sense to get...and I don't think there's a lot of time involved but there is some meetings with your staff, some training involved to... Can you just enlighten us a little bit on what's involved with becoming a producer?

Dr. Sullivan responded if an agency wants to become a public access producer, there is a public access class coming up in April and you would sign up and we would train the people how to do shows in studio and also how to take equipment out and use the equipment and how to edit.

Chairman O'Neil asked how many hours are involved with that?

Dr. Sullivan answered the first...it's a two-hour training just explaining the basics, then there is another couple of training sessions. One in depth on studio and one on on-location production and then you sign up to do editing. You might have people on your staff that might want to get involved with doing that. Though I think that Chief Craig is thinking about the staff going out and maybe highlighting some pieces.

Chairman O'Neil asked but does that have to be tied if staff, MCTV staff went out, does that have to be tied to a producer?

Dr. Sullivan responded that would go into either the education or government component. Where public access has...public access ownership of the program is what that individual or that organization produces. So we help them do it but we don't do the work for them, and then they...the people that are in control of the content. So if we were to work with this committee, which is a government committee, this would be a government access production and that we would be working as government access staff people to go out to an agency...or one or two agencies, edit a piece together to have for you folks.

Chairman O'Neil stated so the two options are staff could be available. We do this under the guidelines as a government program.

Dr. Sullivan answered right.

Chairman O'Neil continued and/or members of this committee could become trained as public access producers to do their own shows.

Dr. Sullivan responded there's a third option. Educational access. That's a third option. The third option is the educational access channel where which we do a lot of work with, with Child Health Services in terms of producing educational programming that goes on the education channel. Or there's parenting programming directly for students lifelong learning. That's the channel that Dr. Bass is on. We have three channels.

Dr. Bass asked Dr. Sullivan would you argue that you get more viewers on channel 16, I'm sorry the educational channel, than you would on the government channel?

Dr. Sullivan replied I would not argue that. I don't want to argue with anybody anymore. Give peace a chance. Basically I think that knowing the viewership of the government channel and the Aldermanic meetings is huge. This is right now on channel 22. It's huge. There are people that...this really is a channel that a lot of people watch. So I'm not going to say which is...which has more viewership. I think all three channels have viewership.

Dr. Bass added so it wouldn't matter which channel we went on in terms of...

Dr. Sullivan asked of viewership? No not really. I really don't believe so. When people look at the educational channel they're beginning to understand what they're seeing is things having to do with education. They're seeing sports events, they're seeing concerts, they're seeing educational programming. When people go to the government channel they're seeing things that have to do with the municipal government.

Chairman O'Neil asked and who would be the best person to coordinate these activities with?

Dr. Sullivan answered obviously if one person...if you're the chair of this committee and you're saying we want to do...we're going to do the forum, then probably with Leo because to know exactly that this committee would be saying whether they want to use a microphone, whether they want to...whatever. Jim will be talking with Leo, myself and we will figure out how to best produce this. Just the May 12th thing.

Chairman O'Neil stated now if we...if someone wanted to go on...if a couple of members of this committee wanted to go on as a...I have not seen the show of Alderman Pinard yet, but either another show that's available either on public access/education or government, how would they put that request in to someone like you that might host a show or...

Dr. Sullivan answered they would call and we would...for education, I host a lot of the education shows, Dr. Bass does. We would...and Sara Letellian who has been, who's a recent employee she could put together a show to host on government access, if you wanted to do an in depth on government perspectives or municipal minutes.

Chairman O'Neil asked do you have producers that are looking for topics?

Dr. Sullivan asked public access?

Chairman O'Neil replied public or education or government.

Dr. Sullivan answered sure. We're looking for topics all the time. I expect tomorrow we are going to get emails...

Chairman O'Neil added so might you be able to go back to put word out for any of your producers on any of the levels there are people that are willing to come on at any time, not only for the event in May but at any time to talk about the issue of alcohol and other drugs.

Dr. Sullivan responded right. The beauty of MCTV is you're putting the word out right now. And this meeting will be on the weekends in repetitive play and there's a lot of public access producers out there. Now Real has done a show, and again I would invite you to call me whether it's about this committee or about specific work that your agency's provide services for people in the community. That's what the education channel's there for. We do a lot of work for non-profits and to call us to do work on the government channel for the services that the City provides.

Chairman O'Neil stated just before I go to Alderman Pinard, if there is...who do you want in your office to be the contact person?

Dr. Sullivan replied usually I'm the first one there in the morning for the phone calls.

Chairman O'Neil asked or do you want Jim to help coordinate any of this.

Dr. Sullivan responded yes he can coordinate the government...you know we're such a small staff that we all work pretty well together.

Chairman O'Neil replied so either yourself or Jim McLean.

Dr. Sullivan answered yes that would be a good idea.

Alderman Pinard stated for the past few weeks since we had that breakfast and I started some shows. I'm on my third one and it's strictly on drug and alcohol prevention. I'm out fishing...with you the people here, you're dealing with the same thing, except I feel that I'm dealing with the youth in our schools and when you hear the youngsters tell us that there's drugs and alcohol still running around Memorial or Central or whatever, I think it's our duty, my duty as an alderman, and on this committee, and on the State alcohol, to try to find a tool to try to help the law enforcement or help anybody, the teachers, to get the message out to the parents. I feel talking to an awful lot of people lately, a lot of people, and I can't say they don't care, but they'll leave the kids alone and they come back and they're all messed up with stuff. And I've talked to some people in the higher government, to try to...if there's a way to get...if money is needed, something. We're looking for a tool. This whole committee, you people right here, this committee right here, the shows I've been doing is to get a message out to the people. And I think our community needs help because you read so often that the Police Department are making raids. Drug raids, constantly. I think we the citizens, the parents of this community got to work with these committees. The NH Highway Safety Agency, I'm on the drug committee on that. I have...the next show is going to be with the Liquor Commission, with the State Police, with Dr. Ludwell. I think I'm doing everything I can on my end to try to get these

committees going and let the message be out there to the people that there is somebody there that cares about the youth in our community. Thank you Mr. Chair.

Chairman O'Neil stated thank you Alderman Pinard for those remarks. Any other questions for Dr. Sullivan. Can you just give the phone number one more time.

Dr. Sullivan stated I expect a lot of phone calls tomorrow morning 628-6099, 628-6099. I expect Chief Craig that we'll be getting together to do some taping soon?

Chairman O'Neil stated thank you again for all your support.

Dr. Sullivan replied thank you very much and good luck with your work and I'll see all of you I guess May 12th.

Alderman Pinard stated you and I worked together, we've been working, but we've got to work on this...I feel that channel 96 I'm not getting the message of the show that I've been doing...the past few shows I've been doing are very important.

Chairman O'Neil stated this isn't really the place to discuss that.

Alderman Pinard replied no, but you the people until you get your own production you're welcome to my show. I'll be booking the third show for you guys Louis.

Mr. Craig replied I can hardly wait.

Chairman O'Neil addressed Item 2 of the agenda:

Discussion of upcoming May 12th Summit in Aldermanic Chambers.

Mr. Harding stated we've talked about a number of different things. We've basically come up with idea that the forum will take place on May 12th. From 6-7pm there will be a reception and we're going to have pizza and soft drinks and that sort of thing and I guess we're putting the food out in the conference room out here and the forum itself will take place from 7-9pm and that will be a...the format will be Alderman O'Neil will be the Moderator and that people will come up and provide testimony as to how alcohol and other drugs is impacting their agency or them individually. So we're targeting these stakeholders form around the City and that includes health care agencies, hospitals, treatment providers, addiction and mental health, criminal, juvenile justice service providers, public schools, youth services, city officials, hospitals, local colleges, legislators. We want to also include the faith community, chamber of commerce, civic groups, recovery community, so we are putting together a list of key stakeholders that we're going to send a "save the date" wire to and we're also going to have a couple of questions on that "save the date" to ask them to kind of

prompt their thinking about how these issues either impact on their agency or organization and to ask them to bring that information and testify at it at the forum. And the second part of that would be to offer solutions. What do they think needs to happen in order to address those issues, or to resolve those problems? So we are working together to put together a list of...we're putting together a database which we anticipate will be about 1,000 people on that list. If there's anybody on this committee that would like to have input on that as to who should be invited, we very much welcome that. Right now we're targeting groups like Gumasa, and the Healthy Manchester Leadership Council and human services agencies and like I said schools, public officials throughout the City. What else do we have going here? We had a couple of questions I think as far as sending the invitation out...

Mr. Craig stated and so far as the invitations we wondered if the Mayor should send the invitations out on City of Manchester letterhead and I talked to David Scannell about it and he said that is something that they can do. That is very kind of the Mayor's office to offer to do that.

Mr. Harding stated I think we've talked a little bit about the media promotion but Fred Rusczek we've met with him. He couldn't make it to this meeting today, but he's offered to utilize the services or the connections through the Health Department to develop PSA's and to be sending them out on a daily basis a couple of weeks prior to the forum and...actually our next forum planning committee is at the Health Department. Is there anything else other people want to add from the meeting today.

Mr. Craig responded I'd like to add something and because we're on community TV, I think that the purpose of the forum is to try to find out from the public what are the problems within the City of Manchester and what can be done about the problems. I know there's more to it than just that, but if we can get that message out to the general public if they have concerns, and I guess we all have concerns about alcohol and other drugs.

Mr. Harding stated and I would just add lastly that the format includes this committee being the panel, though we'd like to urge as much participation from the committee to be there that night because they'll be making up the panel. And then because people may come and testify as to the impact on their lives or their organization or agency, but they may also have questions for a particular panel member.

Chairman O'Neil asked any questions from the committee. None thank you and we'll start the Mayor's office is already involved as you've indicated and I'm sure the City Clerk's office will be also. So thank you...and I know Judy and Ron helped you out on the committee. I hope I didn't miss anyone else that was involved. Thank you Marty.

Chairman O'Neil addressed Item 3 of the agenda:

Discussion regarding school/police spring prevention initiatives.

Dr. Frank Bass stated we had a meeting a while back including Chief Driscoll, Chairman Alderman O'Neil, Lt. Paul Brennan and Dave Scannell from the Mayor's office. The purpose of the meeting was to look at two significant events at our high schools. One is the prom the other is graduation. And we were looking for a way to create not only in prevention mode in terms of what kids might or might not do during those nights, but also to look at a way of offering an opportunity for them to do something else. Create an opportunity to mitigate against their chances of their desires to get involved in other kinds of things. The Police Department was very excited about the opportunity to be involved in this kind of a project. Chief Driscoll will give as much support as possible on terms of what we can do to have something that is very significant as far as our kids are concerned. We want to send two messages. One is that the idea of drinking and driving obviously has a major profound effect, something we just can not tolerate under any circumstances. The other message we want to send is we're here to help you. We want to work with you. Get you to understand. Education. A lot of conversation. A lot of dialogue and other kinds of drug related issues will have an affect on the individual, your family and your careers. So there's a lot of things that we feel that will be very beneficial to our schools in that regard by targeting the two big events, the prom and graduation. To that end, it's a little bit late in the year to be doing this kind of thing, but as I mentioned to the Chairman having a post prom party, or a post prom activity, having a post graduation activity can be a very, very successful opportunity for our kids and to our parents. I've seen them done in many, many school systems. You can get as much as 90 to 95% buy-in from your kids and parents. That will certainly curtail a lot of the problems we have faced year in and year out during prom season and during graduation. So this is something that we're going to be working on. We look forward to at least this year getting that conversation started and certainly having a full fledged program next year that we think our community and our schools will be very proud of.

Mr. Craig asked Dr. Bass you mentioned about the post prom and post graduation parties and why is it you can not do it this year? Is it because of the logistics and...

Dr. Bass replied yes and getting the word out and finding a place to hold the party, making sure we have the resources necessary to generate to get the people involved would have to coordinate and chaperone those particular parties. But I think...obviously we'll be talking to our PTO presidents at the various high schools, talking to our classes about the importance of this event and if it can be pulled off we'll do so. But I also recognize the time line that we're in and if nothing else I want to get the message out so that people understand this is something very important to us

and we want to make a dent in this and we also want to make people acutely aware of what prom and graduation mean to us as a community and as a society.

Mr. Craig stated this is something that the Manchester Police Department brought two months ago, Mr. Chairman do you recall? I was under the impression that...and I think everyone on this Committee was under the impression that was going to be done this year.

Chairman O'Neil stated well I would say it was a very productive meeting that we had, but the problem is you're talking I think the Committee would agree that there's four schools, not only three public schools but also Trinity and it was felt very strongly that you have to include Trinity. So we're talking about do eight events and they graduate all different nights; their proms are different nights. Just logistically it's going to be almost impossible to number one find a place to host an alternative night for them that could handle eight different nights, find food beverage for them, would have to get a DJ for all eight nights, etc., etc. It just was a little late in the year for them to try to pull it off and I don't want to speak for Dr. Bass but the Committee kind of felt that got together if we're going to do it, let's do it right.

David Scannell stated I spoke with Sergeant Bundy, I think the Chief...we may be talking about two different things. Because I believe the Chief has in fact asked Sergeant Valenti to work on some type of enhanced enforcement for that night. I think that's going ahead. I think they've had plans to do that separate and apart from what we had talked about. So that part...

Chairman O'Neil asked that is both graduation and prom?

Mr. Scannell answered yes I believe so.

Chairman O'Neil replied that's a good step.

Dr. Bass stated absolutely.

Amy Hanulec stated I have two comments. I'm just wondering if I can get the date for the graduation and the prom that way we can coordinate with JOLT to make sure that they're out also that night with the police department. The other thing is I'm wondering if the kids are involved at all in giving suggestions for a post prom or post graduation event?

Dr. Bass replied yes absolutely. One of the things that we want to do is to work with our Student Councils and our presidents of the various classes. One thing that wasn't mentioned here is having people like Dan Duvall and Jim Cubing and others going around and talking to each of the classes as a group. So you go in and you talk your

class and you give them a real good opportunity for dialogue and discussion of one the event, and two what happens if you become involved in drugs and alcohol. What happens to you, what happens to your friends? Those are very, very powerful. I think that's an important message. I believe that should be done on a yearly basis to make sure that our students and our community are aware of that.

Chairman O'Neil stated thank you Amy and I think David will just need to confirm and get word out to the School District, some kind of public relations message to the kids that the Police Department are going to be out those nights targeting... They're going to coordinate with the JOLT team, which I have an idea what it is but why don't you tell us what it is.

Ms. Hanulec replied it's Juvenile Offensive Locator Team. The Manchester Police Department and Juvenile Probation Department coordinate to go and check for...

Chairman O'Neil stated super. Thank you very much Amy.

Marty Boldin stated just as a follow-up to Amy's comment to Dr. Bass, I think it might also be a good idea to get broad cross-section of students. Not just the presidents of the student council and like that, but a broader cross-section of students involved in those discussions because some other students besides the class leader kinds of students may also have important information for that conversation or dialogue. It might be very helpful.

Chairman O'Neil addressed Item 4 of the agenda:

Discussion regarding brochure enclosures with city billings.

Mr. Craig stated Mr. Chairman just very quickly. I wanted to report on our efforts to the middle schools and with the participation of Dr. Bass we are going to be meeting with all the middle school principals and we will be having a presentation made to the middle school children and we hope to do that during the month of May. I've contacted the NH Prison for Women. We will be having someone from that prison and we have someone coming from the academy, I've talked to Amy about that and we'll be having someone that's in her program. We kind of look forward to that and McDonald's have already agreed to participate by when we hand out brochures that if students talk about drugs and alcohol with their parents, and the parents sign the form, they'll be able to receive a hamburger and a hot dog, not a hot dog, but a hamburger and a coke or something. So I'm kind of excited about that and kind of looking forward to it and I think it's...hopefully we'll produce good results.

Chairman O'Neil stated just at some point let us know when the dates are and any of us can help out at all in any way. Thank you Lou.

Chairman O'Neil stated Item 4 is follow-up from the last meeting regarding brochures going out with City billings and I don't know...it seems it's very...it can be done, it was quoted as saying it is doable.

Mr. Craig stated yes Mr. Chairman if I could comment on that. The Committee did meet and we reviewed a vast number of brochures and we have to meet again to garner more information on the brochures and so far as the printing of the brochures. We expect to have the brochures in place with the cost of the brochures by the next meeting. But we'll be able to show you what the brochures look like and come up with some cost. It is my hope that we can have businesses within the City of Manchester pay for the cost of the brochures and we could put their logo or something on the brochures indicating that they paid for the brochures. We are talking, and I didn't realize there are this many homes in the City of Manchester. 22,500 brochures and I don't know, how many mailings every week, 2,500. So that's an incredible amount of brochures and incredible amount of mailings but when Diane was here last month she said that it can be done. Once again, I think that is going to be beneficial. I kind of look forward to that as well.

Chairman O'Neil asked any questions, comments? Any other business to come before the Committee?

There being no further business, on motion of Alderman Pinard, duly seconded by Dr. Frank Bass, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

Clerk of Committee