Gang Reduction and Intervention Task Force (GRIT)

Steering Committee Notes

February 28, 2022

Call to Order – 4:15 p.m.

In attendance: Michelle Ragland, Matt Brown, Danny Herrera, Sarah Cordova, Tory Adams, Nate Henyan, Sara Watkins

* Yakima Youth Leadership Program: Sarah Watkins
  + There are currently 36 participants, 9 at each middle school
  + All advocate positions are filled
* YPD community outreach meeting: March 17 at Camp Hope
* Strategic Plan
  + Village Meetings assessment
    - It’s recommended that the Village begin meeting in person as soon as possible, enabling the membership to better network
    - Meeting suggestions
      * Topic idea: GRIT strategic grant. Break attendees into groups to talk about they contribute to the plan and in what other ways they can.
      * Topic idea: grant writing
      * Coordinated training
    - Survey suggested to determine capacity of membership, asking members how often they would like to meet

Next Village meeting – March 16 @ Noon – The intersection between gang activity and homeless youth. Guest speakers: Lee Murdock, Director of the Homeless Network of Yakima County, and Mark James, Executive Director of Rod’s House

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Meeting ended: 4:45 p.m.

Notes submitted by Michelle Lee