Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Call Details

Facility: WSP

Date and Time: 7/28/2020, 1:00PM

Attendees

 Supt Donald Holbrook, Associate Supt. Rob Jackson, AA3 Carrie Meyer, Co-Chair Anna Ivanov, Secretary Susan Wade, Susan Wade, Wendy Dubinsky, Dean Dubinsky, Tina Wright, Loretta

Weekly Update

• Topic

Pre-Submitted Questions

Question 1

Please provide the most up-to-date stats:

of men in quarantine? 130

of men in isolation? 10

of men tested positive? 9

of staff screened out at this time? 58

of staff tested positive? 4

Additional Questions

Question 1

Is there a shortage of soap, we are hearing that the population is not receiving soap? Liquid soap, however, should be available in the hand washing areas. Rob Jackson will follow up with Victor/William to ensure there is soap.

Answer

They are receiving bar soap but not liquid soap at this time. We are providing as it is available.

Question 2

Is there hand sanitizer available?

Answer

No, not to the general public, mainly in remote areas that does not have soap and water available.

Question 3

Why are we buying the license to present movies? This does not seem profitable? \$70,000, when you could buy cable channels for a lot less. Anna also brought up the fact that license doesn't include movies themselves and to date all the PG 13 movies have been already shown.

Answer

This is a HQ decision. The expense is \$42,000. It has been well received by the population.

Question 4

It is rumored that staff are sitting in their car in front of the heater and then coming in with temps to be mapped out. Is this happening at WSP?

Answer

NO. We have not had anyone temp out since March and why would staff do that when they could call from home to map out? To the best of our knowledge staff are acting appropriately and responsible and coming in if they are able and staying home when not feeling well.

Question 5

The LFC members expressed desire to discuss a positive development at each meeting instead of always bringing up issues. We ask WSP to please proactively share good news with the LFC. WSP was going to work on putting good info together of positive things going on at the facility, were you able to do this?

Answer

Due to Steve being mapped out, we have not been able to gather the information needed by other departments.

Question 6

Why are we still not able to do a fundraiser? You should have the resources, maybe with the assistance of the Family Services, what are they doing? This does not seem to be a priority.

Answer

Caroline: Family Services is helping in all areas of COVID response and are not available to assist with this. Rob: This is a priority but our FIRST priority is to make sure that the population, your family and loved one, as well as staff stays safe and we keep the COVID to a minimum.

Anna: We received this response when WSP has 0 positive cases and now that WSP has 10 positive cases. Fundraisers are a small way to increase morale of the population in these difficult times. It would take less staff resources than having to buy/rent movies each week. Perhaps cancel the movie week and do a fundraiser instead?

Carrie: We would love to do a fundraiser. We are trying to keep morale high. We are unable to commit to a fundraiser due to the resources that we need to do this and the uncertainty of staffing from day to day. We also make a commitment to businesses for these fundraisers and cannot put them in the predicament of canceling the day of the fundraiser because we don't have the staffing to accommodate this. This could ruin a business in these times or the monies would have to be paid and still not able to process and distribute and your loved ones would be out of money for this. This would really ruin morale.

Question 7

Loretta: I would be more concerned that our loved ones are getting yard time and doing programming rather than a fundraiser.

Answer

We are doing the best we can with programming and making sure that they are at least getting unit yard time. They will be much more frustrated if we have to quarantine.

Question 8

Was it posted in the unit the OCL family members could be involved in meetings?

Answer

Again, Steve was mapped out and this was not done prior to him leaving or he is the only one that knows of this progress.

Question 9

We would like to go ahead and do the big LFC meeting following the COVID meeting. This coming Tuesday may not give Assoc. Barker enough time to plan for this, or us enough time to give everyone a heads up. Can we plan to do that meeting on the 11^{th} rather than the 4^{th} ?

Answer

Those are great thoughts. We will discuss with Steve when he returns and at this time will plan for the 11th. We need to consider availability of all LFC members on a week day. Thank you.