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YOUNG WOMEN'S DIALOGUE "SHE CONQUERS PHILA"



Ms. Keshnee Naicker Deputy Director : Advocacy Social Mobilisation briefing team members of their roles before engaging with the learners.



MR. BWS. GUBEVU WELCOMING THE GUESTS .



MS. K .NAICKER ADRESSING LEARNERS ABOUT THE EVENT PORPOSE.



MS. MELANIE CHARLES ADRESSING LEARNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS.

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YOUNG WOMEN'S DIALOGUE (SHE CONQUERS PHILA REPORT).



MR. E.L. SITHOLE FROM DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES EDUCATING LEARNERS ABOUT DANGER OF USING DRUGS, DRINKING ALCOHOL .

The Provincial Team: Ms. Keshnee Naicker, Ms. Melanie Charles and Ms. G. Rasi visited Nquthu Sub District under uMzinyathi Health District to make a follow-up on the issues raised by the Young Girls and stakeholders during their last year visit at Ndlangamandla Secondary School on 26 July 2018

The aim of the of the young women's dialogue (She Conquers) was to educate young women on how they can help to reduce the rate of HIV infections, teenage pregnancies and women abuse, while empowerment. themselves

She reminded young girls to take charge of their lives, relationships and health. They also need to support one another and hold hands to empower each other.

During this dialogue the theme was **"For everything I want to be ... A Women"**, was held at Nkande Community Hall next to Ndlangamandla Secondary School on 31 January 2019.

80 young girls , 20 boys and educators of Ndlangamandla secondary school attended the dialogue session to empower and protect young girls from falling pregnant (Teenage pregnancy) while at school, using substance abuse (drug abuse), drinking alcohol, protect themselves against HIV and AIDS and also to learn about the dangers of dating sugar daddies.

The learners were divided into four groups to discuss the following topics:

- Teenage Pregnancy. **Group 1** known as (**Stars of Tomorrow**). Team Leader: Ms. Duma Shange.
- Substance abuse. (**group 2**) known as (**Hustlers**) Team Leader: Ms. Thuli Shange and G Rasi.
- Teenage Pregnancy prevention. (**Group 3**) known as (**Dream Team**). Team Leader: Ms. K. Edi
- Innovations and solutions for the future. (**Group 4**) known as (**Stars of tomorrow**) Team Leader: Ms. Nhlalohle Mkhonza

Among the challenges that were identified are that they are getting themselves involved in sexually and substance abuse activities because of peer pressure from their friends and they are associating themselves with wrong people in the community outside from the school.

CONTINUATION OF A REPORT

It was noticed challenges that the young women are facing today are different from those of the previous older women's because of today lifestyle behavior.

They also looked at possible solutions they could make use of, like being independent and understanding the value of young women in society and to empower, protect themselves to be great leaders.

Some of the solutions were that men have to protect young women in their communities.

The organizing team appreciated the School Principal Mr. BWS Gubevu and his team (educators) for the support for being with the team till the day of the dialogue; they extended their appreciation to the team from uMzinyathi Health District and CJM Hospital for their contribution for this dialogue to be a success.

Closing remarks from the Department of Health Provincial Team: Ms. K. Naicker, Ms. Melanie Charles, and Ms. G. Rasi: "We are happy with the turnout of the young women and girls. We came here to discuss the issues we are facing on a daily basis and the event went well.

I would like to encourage all the women out there to stand up for themselves and prove that they can make it in the world, even without any help from a man."

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Report back by learners from their group discussions . Most of these Young Girls were agreed to void unwanted pregnancy, to Stay away from drugs and alcohol until they finish school, this engagement assisted the organizing team to learn what learners needs are . The presenters were Nokwanda Zulu , Neliswa Ndebele, Masechaba Molefe and Ayanda Kunene.

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GROUP DISCUSSIONS.



Group 1. (Stars of tomorrow) Ms. Duma Shange engaging with learners during dialogue to discuss topic on Teenage Pregnancy



Group 2. (Hustlers) : Discussing topic on Substance and Drug Abuse. Team Leader : Ms. Thuli Shange and Ms. Rasi .



Group 3. (Dream Team) : were discussing topic on Teenage Pregnancy Prevention methods. Team Leader : Ms. K. Edi and Ms. G. Rasi.



Group 4. (Stars of Tomorrow): were discussing topic on Innovations and solutions for the future. (Team Leader) Ms. Nonhlanhla Mkhonza.



MS. THULI SHANGE ACKNOWLEDGING THE PRESENCE OF STAKEHOLDERS.



PROGRAMME DIRECTOR OF THE DAY MS. Z.M. NKOSI.



MR. B.I. HADEBE (EDUCATOR) OPENED DIALOGUE WITH PRAYER.

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