



CITIZENS AGAINST DRUG ABUSE MINUTES
October 10, 2013
4-H Community Center

In attendance: Angie Dial (Family Centered Services – Teen Court), Molly Hoag (Purdue Extension), Sandy Langel (Wells County Health Department), Rick Mettler (Bluffton Middle School), Brian McClish (Ossian Police Department), Stacy Morrison (Bluffton High School), Rick Piepenbrink (Wells County EMS), Tammy Schaffer (Bluffton Police Department), Roger Sherer (Purdue Extension Service), Greg Werich (Wells County Probation)

Welcome, Introductions and Call to Order: Greg Werich

Grant Program Reports: Brian McClish reported on a grant to the Ossian Police Department (DARE graduation supplies).

Presentation of Minutes: The September meeting minutes were approved as written (Tammy motioned, Stacy seconded, unanimously passed).

New Members: No one eligible for membership at this time (membership requirement: participation in 3 CADA meetings).

Treasurer's Report: Stacy reported the checkbook balance to be \$69.84; a \$20 check was written for Angie to attend the Northeast Regional Training.

Unfinished Business:

- The Quarterly Report was sent to IJCI on September 27th for the quarter including July, August and September.
- The Comprehensive Community Plan is due on October 31st. There are several new data sources and new pieces of data included in the report this year (Health Department, EMS, Adams/Wells Crisis Center, Community Corrections, House of Hope, Wells on Wheels, Bluffton Regional, 4th grade Health Fair, Canine activity, Probation drug screening, Public intoxication, Drug arrests, Meth labs.). Park Center is trying to provide additional data to include self-referrals, barriers to treatment and successful completion of treatment. Other data may be included from 21st Century Scholars if received prior to the deadline to file. Angie will distribute the CCP to the entire board upon completion. Everyone has been super cooperative in providing the data! Thank you!
- Greg has been working to update the CADA handbook; he will try to have it ready for distribution by the end of the year.
- The Northeast Regional Meeting of LCC's is scheduled for Monday, November 18th in Columbia City. Angie will distribute information for anyone who wishes to attend.

New Business:

- The Northeast Regional Training showed "The Anonymous People" a documentary about the 23.5 million Americans living in long-term recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs. There is a trend to end the silent stigma and to treat it as a preventable and treatable health condition. If a viewing can be arranged in Wells County, it could potentially generate some interest in the process of creating the Substance Use Protocol. Angie will send out a link to the trailer for the movie.
- The Business Entity Report for CADA is due by October 31, 2013. Greg will take care of filing the report and paying the fee through the county fund.
- Greg shared information on a potential speaker. James Ginder, a health Education Specialist with the Hamilton County Health Department, talks about drug trends. The board was favorable to trying to schedule an evening

event in April (at no cost or low cost) for the community. It will be discussed more and decided at the November meeting. Angie will send the speaker's handouts to the board.

- The Northeast Regional Advisory Board (RAB) has applied for a grant through ICJI. The grant is to create a collaboration of LCC's to work jointly to utilize expertise and resources to address underage drinking in the region. They have asked all 13 counties to submit a signed Memorandum of Understanding, at no cost or obligation to the county. Angie will sign and submit the MOU (Tammy motioned, Rick seconded, unanimously passed).

Community Activity:

- WRAPP has sent a letter to community partners inviting them to participate in creating the Substance Use Protocol on Tuesday, October 22 from 2:00-3:30 at the Wells County Community Center at the 4-H Grounds. This will be the beginning of developing a protocol in order to recognize, address, and prevent future substance use. This is a coordinated effort; we need as much input as possible! Please spread the word about this meeting. Angie will email the letter to the board to share with others.
- CADA has been acting as a subgroup of WRAPP (Wells County Resources Available for Providers and People) by sharing of information about trends, problems and solutions in the community. The next WRAPP meeting is on November 12 at 8:00 am. Please feel free to attend.

Membership Sharing:

- Wells County Health Fair (health screenings a no or minimal cost) will be held on October 26; volunteers are still needed. Historically this event has attracted an older client; this year's offerings hope to attract more women and families. A Purdue Extension program entitled "The Block Party" is available for ages 1-7.
- The Bluffton News Banner recently ran a 10-part series of articles about drugs in Wells County. It brought many different perspectives into the articles and may create a better awareness of the depth of the drug problem in the community. CADA may want to recognize the News Banner at the spring awards luncheon as well as nominate them for regional recognition at the annual meeting next year for their efforts.

Adjournment:

Next meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2013 – 4-H Community Center