



CITIZENS AGAINST DRUG ABUSE MINUTES
February 13, 2014
4-H Community Center

In attendance: Vicki Andrews (Southern Wells Schools), Vicki Bell (Boys & Girls Club), Kim Butcher (Park Center), Betsy Collier (Wells On Wheels), Angie Dial (Family Centered Services – Teen Court), Molly Hoag (Purdue Extension), Brian McClish (Ossian Police Department), Stacy Morrison (Bluffton High School), Tammy Schaffer (Bluffton Police Department), Roger Sherer (Purdue Extension Service), Greg Werich (Wells County Probation)

Welcome, Introductions and Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am by Greg Werich. The board welcomed Vicki Bell, Boys and Girls Club Director, as a guest.

Grant Program Reports: Vicki Andrews reported on Southern Wells Jr/Sr High School's random student drug testing program and Stacy Morrison reported on Bluffton High School's random student drug testing program. Greg offered to make the Annual Program Report Form (used for grant reporting) accessible on the website.

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

New Members: none

Treasurer's Report: Stacy reported the checkbook balance remains unchanged at \$59.84.

Unfinished Business:

- Greg opened the floor for nominations. The following nominations were made:
PRESIDENT: Greg Werich
VICE PRESIDENT: Molly Hoag
SECRETARY: Vicki Andrews
TREASURER: Stacy Morrison

The nominations were closed and approved unanimously by the board. It was noted that co-secretaries may be needed in future as this position carries a lot of responsibility.

- Greg reported that the CADA handbook is almost ready and will be distributed shortly.
- The Special Events Committee (Molly, Roger and Brian) reported that there are several events in the works for an afternoon in-service or evening program on ATOD use. Those discussed were:
 - James Ginder, a Health Education Specialist with the Hamilton County Health Department, who talks about drug trends. Contact has been made with someone at the Health Department and this is a possibility.
 - Sgt Dan Mawhorr, Indiana State Police, is working on a presentation about prescription drugs and heroine. He is willing to make the presentation once it is ready.
 - "The Anonymous People", a documentary, about the 23.5 million Americans living in long-term recovery is available free of charge from DAC.
 - A panel discussion on drug issues to include: DCS, Judge, BPD Chief, WCSD Detective, Park Center was also deemed as a valuable option to show how everyone is impacted by drugs in our community.

New Business:

- The Grant Review Committee (Molly, Betsy, Vicki, Angie) noted that there were fewer grant requests made this year; however, the money requested still far outweighed the money available. There was a total of \$9,268.88 available; \$2,317.22 in each of the four categories (administration, education/prevention, judicial, treatment/intervention). It was noted that the random student drug testing funding was based upon the number of students in the pool. The 2014 Grant Request worksheet was distributed to the board as a recommendation by the Grant Review Committee. The recommendation was approved as written (Tammy motioned, Kim seconded, unanimously passed). The Fund Information report will now be submitted to ICJI for approval. Once approved by ICJI, it will then be submitted to County Council and County Commissioners for approval. If all goes well, funds may be distributed by late March or early April. Molly will prepare letters to be included with the checks.
- The Northeast Regional Advisory Board (RAB) has been awarded a grant through ICJI. The grant is to create a collaboration of LCC's (14 northeast Indiana counties) to work jointly to utilize expertise and resources to address underage drinking in the region; this includes everything from programming to media pieces. The counties can choose to do any part(s) of the grant, but participation is not required. Kelly Sickafoose was present to talk about opportunities available to our county with the grant. The grant runs through May.
 - Regional partnership to reduce under-age drinking
 Newsletters, meetings, collaboration
 - Evidence Based Prevention Programming
 Centralized trainers, training and resources for:
 - Project Alert (middle and high)
 - Strengthening Families (elementary and middle and parents)
 - Too Smart to Start (elementary and parents)
 - Too Good for Drugs (elementary and middle and high)
 - BACCHUS (higher education)
 - *region has the copyright for all materials
 - Media Campaign
 Flyers, news releases, radio, social media, electronic links
 Lifeline Law
 - Law Enforcement
 Recognize retail compliance, lifeline law

Concerns/Trends:

- Park Center reported that nearly all of the referrals from DCS are either meth related or DV related.
- The committee charged with creating the Drug Protocol Manual is currently collecting Key Partner Surveys. The manual is scheduled to be distributed by spring.
- The 2013 Annual Meeting of Purdue Extension was held on February 10, 2014 with Sgt Dan Mawhorr serving as the guest speaker. The topic "The Dangers and Risk with Manufacturing Meth" was very informative and generated a lot of questions from those in attendance. The event was free and open to the public.

Membership Sharing:

- It was reported that the News-Banner wants to do a series of articles on Heroin (similar to the Meth series which ran in the fall).
- Kim conducted a training for Community Corrections on Mental Health and Substance Abuse issues.
- Mental Health First Aid is being offered on Tuesday, February 18th from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; there are still 2 spots available. The cost is \$40 with lunch and workbook included. Denise Wells from DeKalb County will be conducting the training at the 4-H Community Center. Contact Molly if you would like to attend.
- Park Center announced a new hire, Brandon Evans. Brandon is currently doing in-home case management and once he is licensed will be a therapist. They are very excited that Brandon has joined the staff!

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm

Next meeting: Thursday, March 13, 2014 – 4-H Community Center