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BLUFFTON, IN 46714

Citizens Against Drug Abuse Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2017

11:30-12:30 PM

Wells County 4H Community Center

ATTENDANCE: (Members) Vicki Bell (Boys and Girls Club), John Cole (FCS), Betsy Collier (WCCOA/WOW), Angie Dial (FCS), Andrew Ellis (BPD), Terry Gerber (PADA), Molly Hoag (Purdue Extension), Deane' Holderman (DCS), Nathan Huss (BPD), Mark Misch (NHS), Joan Moon (Advocate/Nurse Midwife), Nicole Rediger (WCHD), Roger Sherer (Purdue Extension), Stephanie Tucker (OPD); **(Guests)** Jean Joley (Volunteer Center) and Lynn Naves (Volunteer Center).

WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS and CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mark Misch, President at 11:30am.

GRANT REPORTS:

Wells County Boys & Girls Club presented their grant information. They received \$1000 which was used on their Positive Families Curriculum for grades 1 – 12 (ages 5-18); 132 children have been served since they began in May. Vicky Bell reported that it was good for the kids to learn about drug problems in the community and consequences related to substance abuse.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: The minutes from the August 10th meeting were approved.

TREASURER REPORT:

Checking Account Balance – \$213.27

Drug Free Community Funds:

September Deposit \$767

October Deposit \$900/YTD total \$11,956.00

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Recognition Luncheon – 33 people attended the luncheon 9/14. Thank you to Brickhouse Family Ministry and CADA members for donating the lunch. Congratulations to the award recipients for all of their hard work in the community: Freedom Riders/Chapter #7, Terry and Linda Gerber, WOW.

Recovery Happens – 58 people attended the event on 9/12. The event was well attended. John Cole did a great job with the event as well. Thanks to everyone who participated and helped organize the event. Jessica Williams have a great write up in the News Banner.

CCP Update (great response so far) only 3 outstanding need to submit information.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jean Joley, Executive Director, and Lynn Naves from the **Volunteer Center** in Allen presented information about their services. They are looking to expand the Triad Program to the Adams, Wells, Huntington and Whitley Counties. The Volunteer Center works to train volunteers from communities who can then go back to their community with the needed programs. They work in relationship with LEA, older adults and local county agencies. Educating about securing medications in their home, disposal, etc. Goal is to get 25 senior volunteers to get information out in the community. They will set this up in the community and then have the group work independently after that. Jean and write grants for communities such as the File for Life through TRIAD. They will be speaking at United Way, Boys & Girls Club and other organizations. They train citizen engagement and team with LEA to assist with VITA TAX preparation, and set up for a Volunteer Center for Wells County Coats for Kids program is also offered through the Volunteer Center to set up collections in the community. They had \$3000 coats that were given away last year. Agencies turn in requests for coats that are needed. YSB has status offender youth alternative program with truancy issues at schools and Lynn works with this program. They take them to ACJC and then refer if needed to DCS. They assist with runaways and incorrigibles.

Regional Nominees – Last year we nominated Lane Gerber and Jessica Williams. This year's nominee are due by October 18th. Please submit your suggestions to Angie Dial at CADA. Categories are Individual and Agency for submission. Nominations are invited to attend the next regional meeting/training on November 3rd at Indiana Tech. Meeting information was sent out and will be sent out again to CADA members. Registrations are due by October 26th then a late charge will be added. Mark recommended that the local recognition award recipients be forwarded for our nominees which would be the Linda and Terry Gerber (Molly Hoag will write nomination) and Freedom Riders (Stephanie Tucker will write nomination).

Joan reported on Sam Quinones update – He stated costs are \$6000 (which does not include lodging and travel expenses) He is working for Allen County Courts and will be presenting to them on October 4th, 2018 at the Great Kids Great Communities Conference. She is inquiring about dates around that time to have him here in Wells County. Wells County Foundation oversees the three cycles. Molly shared information about grant options with Light and Wells County Foundation. Joan will be contacting them about interest in grant monies. Joan will find out more information about his venues and targeted audience.

MEMBERSHIP SHARING / COMMUNITY CONCERNS and TRENDS:

Due to time limitations this will be shared via email; this information is helpful in completing the quarterly reports to ICJI.

Mark Misch a panel discussion at Norwell with Terry Gerber, Jessica and Probation speaking on issues relating to drug abuse.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:33pm

THE NEXT MEETING IS: THURSDAY, November 9th at FCS

Minutes submitted by Deane' Holderman