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## CITIZENS AGAINST DRUG ABUSE

**October 9, 2014**

### **House of Hope Bricker Farm**

**In attendance:** Vicki Andrews (Southern Wells Schools), Betsy Collier (Wells Co. Council on Aging & WOW), Angie Dial (Family Centered Service – Teen Court), Alicia Hill (House of Hope), Molly Hoag, (Wells County Extension Service), Nathan Huss (Bluffton Police Department), Brian McClish (Ossian Police Department), Stacy Morrison (Bluffton High School), Greg Werich (Wells County Probation) Also in attendance were Kelli Myers and Bob Mosier from House of Hope.

**Welcome, Introduction and Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by President Greg Werich, after a wonderful lunch prepared by House of Hope employees.

**Presentation of Minutes:** Minutes presented and accepted with no changes. Motion made by Nathan Huss, and seconded by Betsy Collier.

**Grant Program Reports:** Report was made by Alicia Hill for House of Hope. She reported on the boys that are residence and the boys in the program. The CADA grant helps pay for drug testing on the boys. The next report was made by Brian McClish from the Ossian Police Department. The CADA grant funds are used for purchases and training on cell phone information that can be confiscated. Greg said the probation department has already used the technology for their purposes. Angie stated only 2 months to complete your reports.

**New Members:** A member in good standing must attend 4 meetings per year. Removal of member because of non-attendance was approved for Paula Beck, Adams Wells Crisis Center, Sargent Todd Reed and Jim Paxson, Sheriff's Department. Molly Hoag made the motion and Stacy Morrison seconded. Also a motion was made by Betsy, seconded by Alicia to make DCS an official member.

**Treasurer' Report:** \$60.84 balance in checking account.

**Unfinished Business:** Comprehensive plan nearly completed. Rollout on manuals will be available soon.

**New Business:** Business entity report has been filed. Election of CADA officers will be in November. Greg Werich has stated he will not accept the position of president for next year. Northeast Region 19<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting will be November 10, 2014, in Fort Wayne. David Parnell will be the speaker. Angie encourages members to attend. Germaine Galloway will possibly be back next year. The region has 2 vertical banners available to be used in schools or areas for display. They are 7 feet tall.

**Community Concerns/Trends:** Changes in the court system. Judge Kirkoffe will have problem solving meeting. He is possibly going to offer a drug court. This will depend on availability of information and funds. He will meet with the Sheriff's department and probation to work on a substance abuse

program. Incentives would be possible for not using drugs. Criminal justice laws are changing, so Wells County will be looking to make some changes.

**Membership Sharing:** Domestic violence vigilance is in the evening on October 9, 2014.

Molly reported that the Wells County Health Fair is October 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-11 am at Lancaster Elementary.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 12:45. Thank you House of Hope for the wonderful lunch.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, November 13, 2014 Wells County 4-H building

Submitted by: Vicki Andrews