

BLUFFTON, IN 46714

# **CITIZENS AGAINST DRUG ABUSE**

## April 14, 2016

# **Family Centered Services**

In attendance: Betsy Collier (Council On Aging, WOW), Angie Dial (Family Centered Service – Teen Court), Deane' Holderman (DCS), Roger Sherer (Purdue Extension), Vickie Andrews (Southern Wells Schools), Molly Hoag (Wells County Extension), Nathan Huss (Bluffton PD), Tim Wilson (Norwell MS), Mark Misch (Norwell HS), Greg Werich (Bluffton Probation), Lauri Logan (Adams/Wells Crisis Center), Stacy Morrison (Bluffton HS), Alicia Hill (House of Hope), Gene Bell (First Reformers Church), Joan Moon

Welcome, Introduction and Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:34 am by President Molly Hoag.

Grant Program Reports: All grants monies were received and there were no grant reports at this meeting.

**Presentation of Minutes:** Minutes from the March 10, 2016 meeting were presented and the meeting notes were approved.

**New Members:** This is Tim Wilson with Norwell Middle School's third meeting. He was approved as a new member.

#### Treasurer' Report:

Drug Free Community Funds: no activity reported

Checking Account: \$113.27

Mark will need to be put on the account as the new treasurer.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- The Awards Luncheon Committee met before the last meeting and will meet after the meeting today. The CADA Awards Luncheon is scheduled for 5/12/16 at the 4H Park. A sign-up sheet was circulated for supplies and foods to bring for the luncheon from CADA members. Items can be brought the day of the luncheon. Brickhouse Farms has donated hamburgers, buns and condiments for the event. They will also be grilling the burgers. Invitations will be emailed to members to share invites with others in community. Please RSVP for those attending.
- Panel Discussion for June CADA would like to put together a panel to speak in regards to drug trends in the community. A request for volunteers for a Panel Committee was made and Mark Misch and Joan Moon volunteered. Mark recently saw Germaine Galloway's presentation on trends with youth and can share the information from this presentation. CADA members can contact Molly if interested in participating in this committee and a meeting date will be set.

#### **New Business:**

• Jenn Simpson (FSC) reported on the updated Substance Abuse Protocol Manual for Wells County that was recently finished. Greg has uploaded to the CADA site and will also put information on CADA site for luncheon information.

## **Community Concerns/Trends**:

• Vickie Wells reported that Southern Wells will have Chad Bradley as their new Dare Officer. They have not had a Dare Officer for the last 2 years.

# **Membership Sharing:**

- House of Hope is now doing outreach work with Allen County Schools and was recently at Northrup HS presenting to a high school class and speaking about issues with substance abuse. Alicia reported that the students spoke about drugs being pretty easy to get and that the students have shared a lot with them during their sessions. House of Hope will be going to other school and talking to other classes in the Fort Wayne area and sharing information about their program. House of Hope will be rebranding themselves as Brickhouse Family Ministries. They have always worked with families but will continue to expand their services in working with parents.
- Chief Huss shared that heroin is still around and readily available. There was recently fake Xanax being sold in the area.
- Mark Misch shared information from the presentation that he was at. He stated that ecigs are being used to abuse THC and is called (shatter when used in the vape pen). When put in a ecig, the "shatter" may not be smelled and is easier to hide. He stated that cough medicine is being mixed with sprite and then being drank to get high. Big eyed cats with dilated eyes on tshirts are also potential signs of individuals that may be abusing drugs. Mark also reported that they were adding nicotine to the drug screens at the school.
- Joan Moon will be presenting to the Board of Health and also to the family practice residents with Park Center. She shared information that there is a device to assist with detoxing that is worn on the ear, but not sure how this works and if it is effective.
- The Friday NA meeting was discontinued at the jail. The Thursday evening meeting is still occurring with around 15 participants.
- Molly Hoag made a "Thank You" to Bluffton High School for their participation in the poison station at the health fair. High school students participated and assisted with the younger students.
- Deane' Holderman shared that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and that there will be blue pinwheels around town and signs to promote this. DCS will be participating at a station for the Domestic Violence Taskforce Walk/Run on 4/30.
- Betsy Collier shared that the WOW/Senior Expo will be on May 5<sup>th</sup> and will be open to the public. The
  event will be held at the 4H Park. Members are encouraged to attend.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm

Next meeting: May 12, 2016, at the 4H Park for the Awards Luncheon

Submitted by Deane' Holderman