

Meeting Minutes

Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Start Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: One Davis Square, 321 Capitol Street, Offices of the Secretary, Conference Room 100, Charleston, WV 25301

Present: Thomas Plymale, General Hoyer, Matt Boggs, Dr. Petrany, Betsy Steinfeld Jividen, Dr. Becker, Dr. Berry, Amy Saunders, Brian Gallagher, Kim Barber Tieman, Dr. Coben, Secretary Crouch, Secretary Sandy, Diana Whitlock, Dr. Slemp, Christina Mullins, Dr. Boisvert, Michael Stuart, Bob Hansen, LTC Krushansky, Joe Peal, Erin Beck, Dora Radford.

Absent: Sheriff Bohrer, Dr. Kilkenny, Dr. Mock, Dr. Shapiro, Dr. Marsh, Senator Maroney, Delegate Ellington.

Approval of Minutes

It was MOVED, SECONDED, AND CARRIED that the minutes of the March 13, 2019 meeting be approved.

Further Discussion of definition of "success"

The Council had nothing further to add at that time.

Plans and directions for subcommittee work

The Council discussed how to best utilize the time of the subcommittees and decided the focus should be on key result areas which could be prioritized by subcommittee.

The Prevention Subcommittee wanted to make sure they were getting the message out both in communities and schools about the availability of help and how to go about getting it. Department of Education has written a Strategic Plan to address prevention. General Hoyer plans on committing a guard person to support the Prevention subcommittee.

Plans for April 11th meeting with PEW Charitable Trust and Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

The Council plans to use PEW and Johns Hopkins for most of the work on strategic planning. Due to limited time each subcommittee is to come up with 3-5 suggestions.

The Council inquired about breakout sessions with Johns Hopkins.

Updates from DHHR

BBH

Two AFAs from the SOR monies are being reviewed by committees and recommendations are being made. Awardees will be notified in the next 1-2 weeks.

\$14.6 Supplement to SOR – budget is due on Monday.

ODCP

Shatterproof – submitted proposal

Rachel Thaxton coming to ODCP

Transportation pilot project

This pilot is designation to increase access to treatment by connecting people with transportation. The pilot relies on Lyft and Uber in urban areas and volunteers in more rural areas. Mountaineer Good News Garage is also assisting with the pilot. The ARC is interested in presenting the Council. The Council expressed concerns over potential liability issues.

The Council expressed interest in using this model for Jobs in Making You Succeed.

Discussion of study estimating the number of people with SUD

Dr. Allen (co-author) volunteered to conduct this same study in other Counties and perhaps pair the studies with the Governor's Pilot Counties (Wyoming, Berkeley and Jefferson).

Other Business

The Council heard an update on the HIV outbreak in Cabell County and the State's plan to address that.

The Recovery Homes legislation needs a technical amendment that may be able to be fixed without a special legislative session.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. Hansen of ODCP for his recognition at a recent awards banquet.

Mike Stuart reporting that the Prosecuting Attorney's Office for the Southern District of West Virginia does not intend to recognize the recently-implementation Kanawha County ordinances with regards to business selling CBD products.

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

