

Woodford County ASAP Board Meeting Minutes

Name of ASAP Community: Woodford County Meeting

Location: Woodford County Health Department

Date: January 22, 2019

Start Time: 8:30 am **End Time:** 9:28 am

Chair/Facilitator: Lisa Johnson

Agenda Attached? Yes

Sign in Sheet Attached? Yes

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 22, 8:30 am – 9:30 am. **Location:** Woodford Health Dept.

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Present:

Permanent Voting Members	Non-Permanent Voting Members	Non-Voting Members/Guests
Judge Exec - James Kay Health Dept.- Cassie Prather FRYSC - Abby Van Meter Olivia Britton Superint. - Jill Hargis Com. Mental Health- Shawn Freeman DCBS - Julie Snawder	Lisa Johnson- Chair Sarah Mudd -Vice chair Derby Akers - WCMS Elizabeth Coots-Ext. Office Jim Fugate – Sheriff's Ofc Allen George- Judicial Heather Hampton-Ridge Be Sara Swinford- WCHS Geri Tincher – Health Dept. Rob Young – Law Enfor-VPD	Nancy Blackford- Coord. Larry Blackford -Magist Jim Bush – BG.org Mae Collins - Nile Amanda Gibson - Nile Alyssa Lawrence-BG.org Emily McCarthy-BG.org Wesley Scott - LAC Elizabeth Shulz – BG.org Alex Stanley – BG.org Jack Zoldak - Community
	Excused Dorothea Wingo Absent	

Welcome and introductions

Members welcomed and congratulated James Kay, Judge Executive.

Visitors were present at the meeting, so introductions were made.

Approval of Minutes

Lisa Johnson

Minutes were accepted, with correction of date noted on p2.

Report from the Nominating/Executive Committee

Lisa Johnson/Sarah Mudd

Lisa made a motion to replace Amanda Goforth, permanent voter, with DeShawn Freeman both from Bluegrass.org. Lisa nominated Rob Young (VPD) to be a non-permanent voter. The Executive Committee proudly announced they asked Nancy Blackford to be the new ASAP Coordinator and she accepted. Motion was made to accept requests for all by Lisa Johnson, since it was coming from the Executive Committee a second was not needed. Motions carried.

OP OUT Grant Update

Nancy Blackford/Lisa Johnson

Nancy thanked the OP-OUT committee (Wesley, Lisa and Nancy) for the success in getting the grant approved and the program fully funded. Nancy stated OP-OUT is a recovery support program to compliment and work with other agencies in the county that treat and prevent substance abusers from relapsing. She then made a plea to the Board for their support to help make this a success by getting the word out to the community. Lisa continued with the update stating the goal and mission for OP-OUT. Lisa also announced the new part-time director, Jim Bush from Bluegrass.org. Jim Bush spoke about his background experiences, skills and the goals for the grant. Lisa informed the Board we are now in the process of hiring a Peer Support Specialist. Lisa asked the Board to help get 12-15 applicants from Woodford Co. to sign up for the program. Lisa stated the applications have already been sent to The Nile, Isaiah House, ARC, Infinity Center. Nancy stated she has sent information to Judge Brian Privett of the Drug Court.

Questions asked:

1. James Kay asked about confidentiality and Lisa informed us that there is a statement on the application for participants to sign to meet that requirement.
2. Mae Collins from the Nile asked whether the OP-OUT program is limited for opioid abuse only? Group discussed and all agreed the program can accept others (Meth, Heroin) that meet the criteria (i.e. been in treatment and sober for at least 30 days).
3. Rob Young stated they are seeing more Meth abuse and help is needed.
4. Larry Blackford asked Rob Young, if he had a record of what ethnicities are using drugs? Rob stated there is no record of ethnicity, just across the board, affects all income levels, all ethnicities.
5. Julie Snawder asked how many absences can they have in OP-OUT? Lisa stated, if they missed two consecutive meetings without a valid excused absence, they can be dismissed. Our goal is not to dismiss but to encourage, but there does need to be a "consequence" for non-attenders.
6. Rob Young asked what will happen if they relapse while in the program? Wesley Scott stated that their one year "drug free" will be reset for them. They can stay but will not "graduate". Maybe they can re-enter (or stay involved) for the next one-year program. These things can be decided as the pilot progresses.
7. Mae Collins asked if will there be transportations to these meetings? Lisa & Nancy stated they are in process of finding out from participants and then will work on finding transportation as needed. Larry Blackford suggested asking churches. Cassie Prather said the Health Dept. can offer gas cards.

Elizabeth Coots thanked the Op-OUT Committee for job well done.

Lisa Johnson ended by sharing that there will be incentives to help the OP OUT participants stay with the program (ex.free passes to Falling Spring, etc)

Leadership/Achiever Scholarship

Lisa Johnson

Lisa Johnson asked for a new Scholarship Review Committee, and Sarah Mudd agreed to chair. DeShawn Freeman and Julie Snawder agreed to review scholarship applications in early March.

Budgets:

Nancy Blackford

The ASAP Board previously voted to change our Fiscal Agent to Woodford Co. Health Dept. from Bluegrass.org. DeShawn Freeman from Bluegrass.org said the ending balances for ASAP is \$35,698.99 and Harm Reduction balance is \$5,114.54. She presented ASAP-WC with a check for \$40,813.53. Check was given to Cassie Prather to deposit. Nancy reminded members with mini-grants to spend their money and submit Payment Request Forms directly to her (nblackford.asap@gmail.com). Payment Request Form will be sent to members via email and posted on our website (drugfreewoodfordcounty.com), when website is updated.

ASAP General- Budget (Approved)

no changes

Carry Over- New Budget (Approved)

- Allen George asked to make sure the Midway Feed The Hungry is in our by-law's guidelines. Sarah Mudd said she will look back at her notes to make sure what was stated.

Harm Reduction- New Budget (Approved)

- Rob Young asked the Mini Grant Sheet for the VPD be corrected to \$1800.00, this did not affect the budget totals.
- Alan George asked Cassie Prather how many needle exchange have we service in Woodford Co? Cassie Prather said there were 12, about 50% were from Woodford County. Cassie Prather stated more are going to Frankfort and Jessamine Co.
- Rob Young asked Cassie Prather if they have gone to retractable needles? Cassie said not yet, have not purchased any new needles. Cassie will purchase one-time retraction needles with this year's grant money. Rob stated the need for this has gone down.

Motions for all Budgets was made by Lisa Johnson and second by Sarah Mudd. Motion carried.

Announcements

Feb 2- Jack Zoldak shared flyer "Walking Together Through Substance Use Disorder Prevention" and invited all to attend 9:30am, 2/2/19 at Immanuel Baptist Church-Lexington, KY. This is sponsored by a faith-based group. The churches will have a discussion on Feb. 17 "Breaking the Stigma Sunday" around a local film produced about addiction. Will send film trailer to Board.

Feb 22- Sarah Mudd shared flyer "TIPS -Training Intervention Procedures if anyone interested in becoming a trainer to work with students. Training will be held at Midway University.

Mar 1- Elizabeth Coots invited all to attend Truth & Consequences at the Middle School. Volunteers are needed and Elizabeth will send update later.

Judge James Kay discussed how very proud he is to be on the Board. He worked on the Opioid Legislation from 2013 as a State Representative. He wants to make sure here in Woodford County we are doing everything we can. That's why he has created a Drug Task Force and appointed Magistrate Larry Blackford to head this program. Main goals are to educate the Fiscal Court, make an assessment of everything available to help our community, individuals and families, in a way that help us all. He expects to have an official report to the Fiscal Court in May.

Mae Collins announce the Nile is looking to hire Therapist Counselors.

Emily McCarthy shared fliers from Bluegrass.org and has information on Fayette Co. Drug Assessment.

Wesley Scott announced there will be another "On the Table Talk" hosted by LAC and others.

Next meeting date – March 26, 2019

Adjourn- Lisa Johnson motioned to adjourn at 9:28 am, seconded by Sarah Mudd

Minutes recorded by Nancy Blackford