**LOCAL ADDICTION PREVENTION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**March 7, 2018**

**Present: Mark Davis, Sara Dobson, Jodi Merritt, Beth Freelander, Linda Miller, Katie Martin, Rebecca Knight, and Jennifer Lief**

**Regrets: Aaron Felton, Chief Darrell Tallan and Commissioner Mike Ainsworth**

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| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION** |
| **Welcome, Introductions, Minutes**  | Minutes from February were approved.  | * Information
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| **Guest Speaker** | Guest speakers Dr. Paul Coelho, Ray Wilson and Daryl Thomas spoke about the Mid-Valley Opioid Safety Group. Dr. Coelho works at Salem Hospital. Mr. Wilson and Ms. Thomas are part of the Marion County LAPDC. The group spoke about a grant that was just awarded to Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties to address the opioid epidemic in Oregon. Dr. Coelho spoke about the epidemic’s history. He states that there seems to be a spike in use of fentanyl and heroin among people 18-35 years of age. Over dose deaths are up 30% across the state. Over dose of an opioid is more probable to lead to a fatality more than any other substance. Dr. Coelho stated that hospitals need to be the “hubs” to assist these clients and then a warm hand off should be given to a treatment provider. He is hoping this grant will help bridge these gaps and help hospitals and treatment providers to connect better. Dr. Coelho also mentions that there is a great need for more prescribers who will prescribe Buprenorphine. He states that ideally there would be a CRM or Peer at the ER for a patient to connect with. Dr. Coelho also states that they are working on getting a take back sight at the hospital instead of the police department. The grant monies need to be spent by August 2018. Maybe there could be a focus on the drug take back sights as the project’s first phase. Polk LAPPC was invited to Marion County LADPC in April to brainstorm. | * Information/Discussion
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