### POLK COUNTY

**POLK COUNTY LOCAL ADDICTION PREVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**November 2, 2022 - 12:00 Noon**

**Courthouse Conference Room Hybrid/Virtual**

## 1. OPENING AND NOTE OF ATTENDANCE

Jodi Merritt called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present:

**Kerry Hammerschmith, PCBH (virtual)**

**Jodi Merritt, PCCC Director**

**Annie Owen, FCO**

**Jill Dale, Regional Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention**

**Isaiah Haines, Monmouth PD**

**Sam Hittle, PCCC Office Manager**

**Laura Willcoxen, PCBH (virtual)**

**Sydney Flynn, OHSU Student**

Members Absent:

**Abby Warren, FCO Prevention**

**Naomi Adeline – Public Health Administrator**

**Mark Davis, PCBH**

**Katie Martin, DHS**

**Aaron Felton – DA**

**2. Minutes Approved for SEPTEMBER 2022**

**MOTION:** **ISAIAH HAINES MOVED, ANNIE OWEN SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2022**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. TRAINING OPTIONS**

Tall Cop is scheduled for February 16, 2023 in Marion County. Registration is now open and an email was sent out to be able to register. Tall Cop training registration email will be sent out to the LAPPC group to facilitate to the appropriate people. Discussed bringing Tall Cop training to Polk County to educate members of our community. Fentanyl is still a big topic and we are always looking at ways to educate and learn more around this drug. Jill talked about disposal sites for prescription drugs. Having people from the community being able to go to these sites and dispose of these drugs. In addition to understanding the importance of storing medications would be beneficial for the members of the Community. Monmouth Police Department has a prescription disposal site and there is a new site location at Independence Police, very easy to use. Western University also has a needle disposal site. It would also be important to implement a disposal site in Falls City, possibly at City Hall, if they don’t already have one in place.

**4. SUBSTANCE USE RESOURCES PROJECT**

Discussion around a 2-day event where we engage with people in the community and have a panel with questions. Similar to Albany’s training, great turn out and very educational. They advertised on the radio and in school in advance to encourage folks to attend. Discussion on what we would discuss at the event; Drugs in the Community and what parents do when they find that their kids are doing drugs and alcohol. Bottom line is the community is looking for information, we need to bring awareness and to be able to provide the correct answers and resources to these families.

A great place to start is at the upcoming Spring Youth Conference in March 2023. Start having conversations, flyers, etc. Isaiah mentioned The Gate Youth Association would be a good partner. Important to coordinate with school districts to invite faculty to attend and be involved in the event.

**Action item:** Annie will reach out to Tall Cop and discuss timeframe for a training in April or May. Will need to decide which days of the week to plan the 2-day event (possibly Tall Cop can present on a Professional Development Day at School). Also check with schools and churches in the area for rental space availability.

Sydney shared the Substance Use Resource Project Website that is currently half way done. There is a lot of beneficial and important information and resources listed on the website. Currently the website lists the Drug and Alcohol Prevention for parents and youths, has resources for providers, such as doctors, nurses and school-based counselors. In addition, the website lists multiple helplines, such as Oregon Health Authority, 24-hr crisis youth line and more. Jodi will send Annie and Sydney Rich Robison’s contact information for additional Juvenile resources.

The goal for the website is to continue updating resources for the community, user friendly and provide a unique look for users. This website is a well-rounded platform of resources for our community. The website will also provide information about suicide and gambling prevention.

Jill encouraged that we need to celebrate our accomplishments for Departments and for the County. Kerry mentioned a great accomplishment this year has been the opening of ROCC. This has been a strong foundational doorstep for people in the Community to go for resources and services. Jodi reminded folks that Community Corrections has an office for treatment providers to use for their client appointments. Kerry also stated that EMT’s are reaching out and utilizing Crisis Mobile while in the Community. Monmouth Police Department is hopeful for positive changes, stressed that is difficult to motivate people to attend treatment after M110. Law Enforcement continues to use Narcan quite a bit in the field and frequent the same.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 pm.

Next LAPPC meeting date is December 7, 2022.

Minutes: Sam Hittle