**BOYLE COUNTY AGENCY FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY, INC.**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes: February 24, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Boyle County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy, Inc., was held on Friday, February 24, 2023, at 8:30 AM, at the Boyle County Extension Office, 99 Corporate Drive, Danville. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Christy Whitsell. Board members present: Christy Whitsell, James Hunn, Mary Huston, Hilary Blevins, John Caywood, Kevin Caudill, Jenny Clark, and Paige Lutz. A quorum of the Board was present. In addition, there were 19 other members present. All present were welcomed, introductions made, and Extension thanked for today’s meeting room.

**Trends, Updates, & New Program Info:**

Kathy Perkins, HANDS Program, Boyle County Health Department, shared information about the free program available through the Boyle County Health Department which provides prenatal and postnatal support for parents, to know how to communicate with and care for their baby, and support developmental changes. The program is a national program which uses an evidence-based curriculum, “Growing Great Kids”. They also provide items for child safety, and are hosting a baby shower on July 22. For more info, and to refer parents to the program, contact [KathyL.Perkins@boylehealth.org](mailto:KathyL.Perkins@boylehealth.org).

**Approval of Minutes of January 27, 2023:** Minutes of the January 27, 2023, meeting were emailed by Kathy Miles. Motion was made by John Caywood, seconded by Paige Lutz, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**Approval of February 24, 2023, Treasurer’s Report:**  The February 24, 2023, Treasurer’s report by Brent Blevins, Treasurer, was emailed. Motion was made by James Hunn, , seconded by John Caywood, to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

**Approval of Budgeted Requests for Payment:** Kathy Miles presented the following requests for payment, in the absence of Brent Blevins, Treasurer:

1. Kathy Miles: $400 January Coordination (Annual Budget)
2. Harland/Clarke: $187.04 Checks (Annual Budget)
3. Blake Hobson/Tumbleweed account: $600 Sober living payments for 3 Boyle County males (out of donated funds)
4. Centro Latino: $500 Health Fair SUD/MH education (Annual Budget)
5. Blake Hobson/Tumbleweed account: $200 Sober living payment for 1 Boyle Co male (out of donated funds)

Motion was made by James Hunn, seconded by Mary Huston, to approve all Requests for Payment. Motion carried.

\*Balance on Donated Funds for Treatment, Travel, Sober Living, & other purposes as approved: \_$ 3736.60\_

**Healing Communities Study Report:** In the absence of Amy Longwill, Boyle Co. Coordinator, Kathy Miles shared a new public dashboard developed by U.K. in conjunction with the Healing Communities Study re: OD, prescribing patterns, and other data: <https://hcs.uky.edu/dashboards/group/public>. (Note: 2022 O.D. data not yet available)

Terry Dunn shared an update on EMS follow-ups to overdoses in the past month. EMS responded to 2 O.D. deaths in January, made 61 home visits to SUD and MH cases, and saw more domestic violence cases. 8 Narcan kits were given out.

**Program Updates:**

-Detention Center: James Hunn reported the jail # to be 206 today.

-Hope Network: James Hunn reported that they have not met since the last ASAP meeting.

-Shepherds House: Blake Hobson invited all to an appreciation lunch on March 3 at noon, to celebrate 6 years of service in Boyle County. They have open beds for women and the IOP has openings as well. The Community Garden will again be in operation this year.

-Syringe Exchange Program: Amy Anness updated that the program is serving around 150 unduplicated people per month. Challenges for clients being seen include: housing, transportation, and adequate food. Reports are coming out that Zylazine is going to be seen more often locally. Amy is urging people when administering Narcan to rescue breathe if possible, due to the potential lethality of the substances currently being used locally.

-New Vista: Tara Starwalt is a new marketing staff member assigned to Boyle County. In Lori Croley’s absence, Kathy Miles reported for her that they are accepting Primary Care referrals, and that the Boyle New Vista office will be offering their clients transportation assistance to and from medical appointments.

-New Vista Prevention: Kristen Truty reported that the new Prevention Strategic Plan is now in phase 3 of the planning, and that the community needs team will need to meet soon.

-Recovery Roadhouse: Rat Durham announced that Hilary Blevins is now the Vice President of the Roadhouse Board of Directors.

-Revive: In Mason Kannapel’s absence, Kathy Miles reported that Revive has open beds in their residential program, and that Mason also wanted to share that Indian Hills Christian Church’s Celebrate Recovery will be hosting a celebration dinner on March 20 at 6:15.

**Old Business:**

-Emergency Transitional Housing Update: No report on shelter progress. But, it was reported that from 2020 to 2022, rural homelessness increased nationally by 6%.

- Prevention “Resilience” video: In Mimi Becker’s absence, Kathy Miles reported that the video will be shown at a workshop at the Kentucky School Board Association Conference on Feb. 25, and it will be shown at Trinity Episcopal Church on March 1, and a public presentation at Centreworks on March 2.

- Prevention Play, “The Tipping Point”: In Mimi Becker’s absence, Kathy Miles reported that the play has been shown to students in both school systems, and at Centreworks on Feb. 23.

-Schools Update on “Kids on the Block” Prevention Puppets: Jenny Clark, Shannon Erwin, Mary Huston reported that the prevention puppet programs were well received by school staff and children in both systems.

- Opioid Settlement Funds Update: Rat Durham is continuing to track the progress of distribution of funds around the state. Kathy Miles reported that to her knowledge, the only funds received to date locally are those funds allocated for the salary of the EMS social worker.

- Boyle County Schools “Steered Straight” prevention program, Feb. 2: Shannon Erwin and Nichole Brown reported that the program was very well received, and a large quantity of vapes were turned in by students.

-Danville Schools “Steered Straight” prevention program: Jenny Clark reported that Danville Schools will also be hosting the program for students, staff, and parents, on March 22.

- Application for Presbyterian Church Local Mission funding: Kathy Miles reported that ASAP has again been approved for 2023 for $2500.

**New Business:**

-Application for Recovery Ready Community Certification: Kathy Miles updated that the application has been submitted, and the next step should be a site visit to Boyle County. Some ASAP members will be needed to meet with reviewers. Kathy stated that in response to application questions, we will be planning anti-stigma training for a variety of community providers, and that any organization already providing that training should be in touch with her.

- Trauma-Informed Care Training: Kathy Miles updated on the training scheduled for March 13, 8:45 AM for coffee and doughnuts, and the training from: 9 AM to 12:15, box lunches at 12:15, at Boyle County Fire Department Training Room, 1500 Lebanon Road. Free training and free lunch. Registration required, by emailing Kathy. Trainers are Tony Zipple, and Stacey Ray, from The Bounce Coalition on Resiliency. Training is for Peer Supports, School Resource Officers, and any other community stakeholders who want to better understand Adverse Childhood Experiences, and how to better work with kids and adults who have trauma histories. Certificates of attendance will be given.

- Kathy Miles shared Information from Ephraim McDowell Health that she learned while completing the Recovery Ready Community application. Patients who are seen in the ER, or who have been inpatients for any reason, may request free Narcan from the hospital as they are being discharged. Please share this with your clients.

- Kathy Miles announced that Boyle ASAP has $ 3,519.79 in Harm Reduction Carryover funds from 2022 which must be spent by 6/30/23. These funds are designated for Peer Support initial certification training, and for Peer Support continuing ed. Possible trainings ASAP could host: Mental Health First Aid, QPR Suicide Prevention, Anti-Stigma. A Mental Health First Aid training would involved a full day of training, with a pretraining online before the in-person training. Some members are interested.

- Kathy Miles shared an Appalachia HIDTA Alert (Feb., 2023): 8 school aged children experienced o.d. symptoms due to vape pen usage in Corbin and Barbourville. Multiple vape pens were seized; 2 presumptively tested positive for Fentanyl, but they are being sent to the state lab for final testing. 4 students were taken to ER; 4 treated by outpatient M.D.s. More info will be given when available.

- Regional Job Fair and Expo will be held on March 24, 10 to 2, at The Showroom. It is being sponsored by DBCDC Workforce Development Committee, Danville Boyle Chamber of Commerce, and other community partners. Email Harold Nally at [harold@developdanville.com](mailto:harold@developdanville.com) to register as a participating employer. No charge to table as an employer or to attend as a job seeker. Please help publicize in your organizations.

- Roger Fox shared info re: SB164, a restoration of felons’ rights bill, and House Bill 248, a Recovery Housing bill. Roger shared concerns that it may be increasingly difficult to open recovery housing in Kentucky.

**Other Business and Announcements:**

-Next “Bridges out of Poverty” training at Heart of Ky United Way: March 23, 8:30 to 12:30. Email Stephanie Blevins to register at: [sblevins@hkuw.org](mailto:sblevins@hkuw.org).

- Partnership to End Addiction ([www.drugfree.org](http://www.drugfree.org)) has new Marijuana Resource Center (info includes vaping, CBD info). Prevention page includes 5 -6 minute assessment parents can take to determine if their child may be at risk for substance misuse and an SUD.

**-** Free 1-Hour training course on “Opioids in the Workplace”: <https://rutgerstraining.sph.rutgers.edu/OpioidTraining#1>.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Miles, Secretary

\***\* Next Meeting: March 24, 2023, 8:30 AM, Boyle County Health Department**