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

 **Monthly Meeting Minutes: December 6, 2024**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Boyle County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy, Inc., was held on Friday, December 6, 2024, at the Boyle County Health Department, 448 S. 3rd St., Danville, Kentucky. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Rev. James Hunn, at 8:35 AM. Board members present were: James Hunn, Jenny Clark, Brent Blevins, Kevin Caudill, Mary Huston, Paige Sanders, and Terry Dunn. A quorum of the board was present. In addition, there were 33 other members present. All present were welcomed, and introductions made.

**Christmas Thank You from County Judge Executive Trille Bottom:** Boyle County Judge Executive Trille Bottom thanked all in attendance for their work and commitment to making a difference in the lives of Boyle County residents. On behalf of the Boyle County Fiscal Court, she wished all present, and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Approval of Minutes of November 6, 2024, Special Called Board Meeting:** Minutes were emailed by Kathy Miles, Secretary. Motion was made by Brent Blevins, seconded by Paige Sanders, to approve the minutes of the Special Called Board Meeting. Motion carried.

**Approval of December 6, 2024, Treasurer’s Report:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, presented the December 6, 2024, Treasurer’s Report, which reflected a Beginning Balance of $5,356.95, on September 19, 2024, and an Ending Balance on October 18, 2024, of $23,217.89. Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Terry Dunn, to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

**Approval of December 6, 2024, Opioid Abatement Fund Account Treasurer’s Report:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, explained beginning with today’s meeting, that separate Treasurer’s Reports and Requests for Payment will be listed for the newly created Opioid Abatement Fund Account. The Opioid Abatement Fund Account report reflected a Beginning Balance of $141,305.00 on November 14, 2024, and an Ending Balance of $141,305.00 on December 6, 2024. Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Kevin Caudill to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

**Approval of Updated Signatories for ASAP Checking Account:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, requested that outdated signatories who can sign for account transaction of the ASAP checking account be updated to Kathy Miles and Brent Blevins. Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Kevin Caudill to approve Kathy Miles and Brent Blevins as signatories. Motion carried.

**Approval of Budgeted Requests for Payment and New Requests from the ASAP checking account:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, presented the following requests for payment:

1. Kathy Miles - $400 for October Coordination (Annual Budget)
2. Parents of Addicted Loved Ones - $100 for materials (Annual Budget)
3. Arts Commission - $900 for annual prevention play expenses (Annual Budget)
4. Recovery Roadhouse - $100 for 12 step programs costs (Annual Budget)
5. Boyle Co. Schools - $1050 for psychoeducational student group (Annual Budget)
6. Danville Schools - $1050 for contract student counseling services (Annual Budget)
7. Shepherds House SAP- $250 for treatment materials for jail SAP (Annual Budget)
8. Shepherds House - $800 for Outpatient treatment program materials (Annual Budget)
9. Shepherds House - $240 for Women’s Recovery Housing materials (Annual Budget)
10. Isaiah House - $800 for treatment & recovery books, and GED supplies (Annual Budget)
11. All Together Recovery - $275 for sober living for 1 male (Donated funds)
12. Melton’s Deli - $2547.04 for First Responder Lunches (Annual Budget)
13. Better Life Properties/All Together Recovery - $150 for sober living for 1 male (Donated funds)
14. Shepherds House - $125 for treatment deposit for l male (Donated funds)

Motion was made by Kevin Caudill, seconded by Paige Sanders to approve all requests for payment from the ASAP checking account. Motion carried.

\*BALANCE on Donated Funds for treatment, travel, sober living, & other purposes as approved: $1399.81

**Approval of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Financial Review by Chad Robinson, CPA:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, presented the 2023-2024 Financial Review for approval. The documents were emailed to Board prior to the meeting, for board members to have adequate time to review. Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Mary Huston, to accept the Financial Review. Motion carried.

**Program Updates:**

 -New Vista – Lori Croley announced January 29 as the projected opening of the new Danville offices of New Vista, located on the south Bypass.

 -Homelessness Coalition – Amy Anness and Olivia Cantrell

 announced that the Coalition is moving forward, with a governing board, and developing 3 committees in need of members – Shelter & housing, Case management & service coordination, and immediate needs. Olivia’s cell # now is: 859-319-7468. Vouchers for shower and laundry services at Shepherds house can be obtained at Amen Corner, or Health Department Harm Reduction. See Brice Gibson for more info about showers and laundry and clothing at Shepherds House.

 -Resurgence Counseling: Allison Newman is a new therapist accepting referrals.

 -All Together Recovery – Shanda Correll updated that their new program is now accepting clients.

 -Alteri – Kelsie Robinson announced that they have opening in their IOP, and have EMDR therapy services.

 -NET Recovery – Rebecca Mutch announced they are beginning a NET Recovery program in the Scott County Jail.

 -Isaiah House – Hunter Glasscock is now with Isaiah House, and has a new contact #.

 -Shepherds House – Brice Gibson announced clothing donation boxes are now located in Farmers Bank locations. They are also accepting nonperishable food donations.

 -EMRMC – Misty Rice updated that Ephraim has flu shots available.

 -PFLAG – Kathy Miles gave an update in David Roberts’ absence. They have celebrated now their first year in operation in Danville. Chapter meetings will now be focused support groups, and meet the 4th Thursday of each month at 6 PM, on Centre’s Campus. See their FACEBOOK page for location and special called meetings.

 - EMS Follow-up Visits: Terry Dunn reported 110 followup home visits for November. Alcohol-related cases continue to be frequent. 25 O.D. cases, and 2 O.D. deaths. 43 Mental Health cases, and 1 suicide death. They have continued to distribute narcan, and are finding Fentanyl is becoming common drug of choice. Meth and Heroin remain popular.

 -EMS Crisis Response Team grant update: Mark Smith and Terry Dunn reported the implementation of the team is going well. They are working on an Advisory meeting, and are planning a new position to be hired.

 -Law Enforcement Updates: Danville Police Chief Tony Gray reported they have been busy with recent increase in o.d.s, and are finding an increase in pressed “fake” pills that contain Fentanyl. Most people are polydrug users. November was a very busy month.

There was no report from the Boyle County Sheriff.

**Old Business:**

-Strategies for Preventing Overdose Deaths: What Are We Missing? Ongoing Discussion.

 Members discussed overdoses seen by EMS, and any trends that might point to actions. The group also discussed Kentucky Naloxone Saturation Strategic Plan 2025 – 2026, which was emailed with meeting documents. Highlighted statement was noted on the report: “As the landscape of risk continues to change, rates of opioid overdose remain elevated in Ky, particularly among Black, Hispanic, & in Appalachia”. Narcan is available today for attendees to take.

 -First Responders Thank You Lunch: Kathy Miles shared the final report that 255 lunches were delivered to an extended list of first responders throughout the county. All volunteers were thanked, and Hope Network was thanked for assisting in the funding for the lunches.

 -Story Center Opportunities to Tell our Local Opioid Crisis Story: Kathy Miles updated that early in the new year, a meeting with Story Center staff will be held, to set the process for those who choose to tell their stories.

 -Norton Center collaborative grants: Kathy Miles updated that the Norton Center did not receive the grants to include adults in local treatment programs in arts programs. Future applications will be considered.

 -Centre College Social Movements Sociology Class: Kathy Miles reported on the concluding work by Centre students on local difficulties with our zoning regulations related to sober living homes.

**Opioid Abatement Funding Program Update:** Brent Blevins and Kathy Miles explained that a separate update for the use of the Opioid Abatement Funds will be included in each ASAP meeting. Progress to date includes the following: Harm Reduction program staff member has been hired. Contract with Detention Center and their Medical Provider is being written, for Sublocade to be offered to inmates with OUD. Job description and contract are being finalized for the ASAP Coordinator position related to opioids. Kathy Miles will be setting up a meeting in January for the resiliency building initiative for youth in families with OUD. All interested in working on that project should contact Kathy.

**New Business:**

 -Centre College class on Homelessness invites all ASAP members to a presentation on “Transitional Housing for Danville-Boyle County”, on Dec. 16, 9 AM, at Vahlkamp Theatre, Centre campus.

 -Drug Court Graduation: Kathy Miles announced that all ASAP members are invited to the next Boyle/Mercer Drug Court Graduation, at 11 AM, on January 16, in the Mercer County Justice Center, Main Street, Harrodsburg.

 -Hope and Health Hub: Dec. 14, 12 to 3 PM, at Vision Worship Center, 704 Holliday Drive,

Danville. Narcan, Fentanyl & Xylazine test strips, HIV & Hep C testing, resources, and food will be offered. Amy Anness stated that the plan is to offer these opportunities quarterly at Vision Worship Center.

 - Kathy Miles announced that Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) is discontinuing their support group after Dec. 23. Thanks to Denise Babcock for leading this group for several years. This is an opportunity for another local organization to begin this much needed family support group. Please see Kathy if interested in providing this support group.

 - Kathy Miles announced that funding is now available through our Harm Reduction grant, for Peer Support initial training and continuing education. Watch for a QPR Suicide Prevention training in early 2025.

 -Newest 2024 “Kids Count Data Book” is available at: [www.kyyouth.org/Kentucky-kids-count/](http://www.kyyouth.org/Kentucky-kids-count/). Kathy Miles encourage all members to look at the newest data on kids’ needs in Kentucky, and to think about key findings relevant to SUD work. This will be discussed further in the next meeting.

**Other Business and Announcements:**

 -Bluegrass Parent Café Parenting Sessions: Boyle County Extension Office, Dates remaining:

Dec. 10, 12, 17, and 19. To register contact Jesalyn Bradford at Jesalyn.bradford@bgcap.org.

 -Ridge Behavioral Health Winter Conference with Ashley Judd Rescheduled for Feb. 7, at

Griffin Gate, Lexington.

 -Free Breakfast & Coffee for Area Veterans: 4th Monday of each month, 10 AM, at Veterans

Park, Stanford. Sponsored by Lincoln Co. Veterans Suicide Prevention Coalition.

 - Boyle County 4-H Vendor Market: Dec. 7, 1 to 4 PM. Vendor Booths needed – contact: Deashmore@yahoo.com.

 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM, with Happy Holidays wishes for all.

 Respectfully submitted,

 Kathy L. Miles, Secretary

 **\*Next Meeting: 8:30 AM, January 24, at Boyle County Health Department**