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

 **Monthly Meeting Minutes: September 27, 2024**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Boyle County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy, Inc., was held on Friday, September 27, 2024, at the Boyle County Health Department, 448 S. 3rd Street, Danville, Kentucky. The meeting was called to order by Rev. James Hunn, Chairperson. Board members present were: James Hunn, Brent Blevins, Nichole Brown, Paige Sanders, and Terry Dunn. A quorum of the Board was present. In addition, there were 26 other members in attendance. All present were welcomed and introductions made.

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

 A)Maggie McAdams, Danville Boyle County Public Library Story Center, presented information on a new program of the Boyle County Public Library, located at Grayson’s Tavern in Constitution Square. The program is focused on providing area residents the opportunity to record their oral histories, as well as preserve digitally their family records. Using this resource could give ASAP the opportunity to tell the local stories of the local Opioid Crisis, and our community’s response to that crisis, for the benefit of future generations. Maggie can assist ASAP in our stories being a “collection” to be kept together. Contact: mmcadams@boylepublib.org.

 B)David Roberts, PFLAG. David Roberts presented the history of the national organization of PFLAG, which provides support to the local LGBTQ+ community, and their family and friends. He shared some ways to be allies of the community, and expressed a willingness to assist local community programs in being more inclusive of the LGBTQ+ community. PFLAG is a 501©3. They will be tabling at the upcoming Gay Pride Festival in October. Contact: david.roberts40422@yahoo.com

**Approval of Minutes of August 23, 2024, Monthly Meeting:** Minutes were emailed by Kathy Miles, Secretary. Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Brent Blevins, to approve the August 23, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**Approval of September 27, 2024, Treasurer’s Report:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, presented the September 27, 2024, Treasurer’s Report, which a beginning balance on July 19, 2024, of $18,881.74, and an ending balance on August 19, 2024, of $7,134.84. Motion was made by Nichole Brown, seconded by Terry Dunn, to approve the September 27, 2024, Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried.

**Approval of Budgeted Requests for Payment and New Requests:** Brent Blevins, Treasurer, presented the following Requests for Payment:

1. Kathy Miles - $400 for August Coordination (Annual Budget)
2. Justin Johnson - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
3. Andrew Hager - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
4. Asher Snedegar - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
5. Gary Biggers - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
6. Hannah Marquez - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
7. Olivia Cantrell - $25 speaker honorarium O.D. Awareness (Annual Budget)
8. Kathy Miles - $153.41 Reimbursement O.D. Awareness supplies (Annual Budget)
9. Kathy Miles - $54.19 Reimbursement SAVE training supplies (Annual Budget)
10. Shepherds House Women’s Program - $300 S. Living payment for Boyle Co female (Donated funds)

Motion was made by Paige Sanders, seconded by Terry Dunn to approve all Requests for Payment. Motion carried.

\*BALANCE on Donated Funds for treatment, travel, sober living, & other purposes as approved: $624.81

**Program Updates:**

 -Detention Center- Chad Holderman and Brian Wofford reported that census #s have remained 150 to upper 160’s.

 -Shepherds House- Brice Gibson updated on their new program of offering showers and a washer and dryer to do laundry at Shepherds House, for unhoused community members. United Way has helped to fund and publicize this. Vouchers for these services are available at the Amen Corner, SS. Peter & Paul, and at the Health Department Harm Reduction program. Showers are available Monday through Friday, and laundry can be done each week day until 1:30 PM. They continue to accept clothing donations at their 3rd St. office between 8 AM and 4 PM.

 -New Vista Prevention- Kinsey Swafford reminded members of the YES grant application deadline coming up very soon, to support peer youth programs focused on mental health and substance use.

 -Harm Reduction Syringe Exchange Program- Amy Anness and Olivia Cantrell updated that they are serving 120 to 130 now per month. They are also providing more outreach services, including recent programming at Centre College.

 -Cliffview Recovery- Eliza Piomelli announced that their program is now DOC approved.

 -Revive- Mason Kannapel announced their program is close to being DOC approved. He also shared that a Celebrate Recovery group has been started in Garrard County.

 -Central Kentucky Career Center – Shaylee Reed shared an update on a relatively new youth program focused on career development services.

 -Recovery Life Center, Danville – Adrian Richardson shared info about their program, located at 130 S. 2nd Street. They provide outpatient services, including MOUD. Their sober living program for men is located at 702 S. 2nd Street, Danville. He thanked ASAP members for welcoming him and this program to our community.

 -EMS Followup Visits – Terry Dunn shared statistics for August. 49 clients received services, and 72 home visits were made. There were 15 SUD cases, including 6 overdoses, but no o.d. deaths. There have been 7 o.d. deaths in Boyle County since 1-1-24. They have seen a rise in cases of adverse reactions to gummies, and Kratom. 34 mental health cases were noted in August, and suicidal ideation continues to be a common part of those cases. There have been 4 deaths by suicide in Boyle this year.

 -EMS Crisis Response Team – Terry Dunn also gave this update. They are implementing new program software. They are considering hiring another social worker for the team in 2025.

 -There were no Law Enforcement updates from the Danville Police or the Boyle County Sheriff’s Office.

**Old Business:**

 -Strategies for Preventing Overdose Deaths: What Are We Missing? Ongoing Discussion today included the need to follow up on distributing narcan to athletic field concession stands, school bus drivers, and small businesses. Getting the message out, “Never Use Alone”, still needs to be emphasized. Narcan is available today. Latest national stats on o.d. deaths have indicated a 10% drop from April, 2023, to April, 2024.

 -Kentucky Overdose Alert issued 9/20, re: 24 O.D.s in Lexington since 9/17. Kathy Miles shared this info, as a possible indicator of what may be soon coming to Boyle County.

 -Homelessness Task Force Update was given by some members who attend the meetings: A centralized coalition is being created to handle funding for various services for the homeless population. Amy Anness noted there are recent new homeless encampments in the community.

 -Regional Job Fair held 9/26: Update was given by Kathy Miles in Harold Nally’s absence. Attendance was excellent, with initial very favorable responses by both employers and job seekers who were present. Employers included some Fair Chance Employers.

 -Opioid Abatement funding: Brent Blevins and Kathy Miles shared an update. Funding is expected to be received in October. Regular review by the ASAP Board will be required, as a part of the regular reports that will be sent to the Opioid Abatement Commission.

 -Update on Overdose Awareness/Expungement Clinic on August 29: Kathy Miles thanked all involved on the Planning Committee, and those who shared their time for the Expungement Clinic that preceded the actual O.D. Awareness event. Approximately 100 people attended part or all of the evening’s events, with 29 served in the Expungement Clinic. Plans are already underway to cohost with Goodwill and Expungement Clinic next year, in conjunction with the O.D. Awareness event.

 -Update on Suicide Prevention for Veterans Training: Kathy Miles thanked Morgan Grillet, VA trainer, for leading the event, and Heart of Kentucky United Way, for cosponsoring with ASAP.

**New Business:**

 -Kathy Miles reminded members again that the YES Grant for funding for Youth Prevention/Education Peer Group is due 11-1-24. Contact Laura Edwards, at laura.edwards@ky.gov.

 -Annual First Responders Thank You Lunch date has been set for November 21, 11 to 1. Kathy Miles announced that box lunches will be delivered from the Health Department, to the various work sites of our extended list of first responders in Boyle County. Volunteer deliverers are needed, and a small amount of additional funding may be needed as well.

 -Danville Schools will be participating in the upcoming statewide KIP Survey. Kathy Miles thanked Danville for helping to obtain this important planning and prevention data.

 -Centre College Research Methods in Sociology Class: Kathy Miles announced the class will not be working with ASAP this year, due to a campus project which has been selected.

 -Two Collaborative Grant Opportunities with Norton Center for the Arts: Update was given byKathy Miles. One of the 2 grants was not received; the other grant is still being considered by the granting foundation. This grant would provide free tickets to Norton Center events, with workshops with the artists related to recovery and resilience, for adults in recovery or currently in our local treatment programs.

 -Potential Speakers who will tell their Vaping and Quitting Vaping Stories: Kathy Miles would still like to develop a speaker’s bureau related to this recovery process available to schools and other community groups.

 -Salvation Army Angel Tree: Jordan Burchfield announced that applications for children to receive Christmas Angel Tree gifts will be open on line beginning October 1. Flyers are available today.

**Other Business and Announcements:**

 -Deaf & Hard of Hearing Retreat, Oct. 19, Red River Gorge. Sponsored by Recovery Café, Lexington. For more info, call 859-523-0590.

 -VOA Recovery Center Open House: Oct. 11, 10 to 12, 47 Odis Court, Stanford.

 -Ridge Behavioral Health Winter Conference with Ashley Judd: Dec. 9

 -“New Kentucky Marijuana Laws: What HR Needs to Know”. Webinar on Oct. 1, 1 to 2. Sponsored by KYHA and SHRM. Go to: [www.www.kyha.com](http://www.www.kyha.com).

 -Free Webinar sponsored by ARC, Oct. 15, 12 to 1. “Prevent, Screen, & Treat: HIV & Hep C & People with SUDs”.

 -Sensory Friendly “Spooktacular Glow Party”, sponsored by Ephraim McDowell & other

Partners. Oct. 13, 3 to 5 PM, Boyle County Extension Office.

 -Danville Gay Pride Celebration, Oct. 27, 12 to 4, at Pioneer House. To table, contact Jonah Cline at jonahcline113@gmail.com.

 -Ky Fatherhood Summit: Oct. 14-16, Campbell House, 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.

 -Excellent Resource for parents re: the conversation that must be had with their kids given the pervasiveness of Fentanyl: [www.songforcharlie.org/the-new-drug-talk/](http://www.songforcharlie.org/the-new-drug-talk/)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 AM.

 Respectfully submitted,

 Kathy L. Miles, Secretary

 **\*\*Next Meeting: 8:30 AM, October 25, at Boyle County Health Department.** Jeff Lott, NET Recovery Corporation will be presenting on the NET Device, for which he has asked Fiscal Court for funding.