

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 20, 2021, 8:00 a.m.
Zoom

Present: Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Jackie Doublin (Massac Co. Mental Health), Billy McDaniel (Mayor of Metropolis), Dave Park (Kiwanis), JR Conkle (School Sector Rep), Summer Clapp (Executive Committee/Law Enf), Mike Moorman (Kiwanis), Clarissa Shepherd (Health Sector Rep), Stacie Aycock (Project Coordinator), Steve Miller (Civic Sector Rep/Kiwanis), Josh Stratemeyer (Gov Sector Rep), Robbin McDaniel (Massac Memorial Hospital), Diane Choinski (RSVP), Rita Park (Kiwanis), Toni Miller (Volunteer), Holly Windhorst (Program Director)

1. Approve old minutes - a motion was made by Harry and seconded by JR to approve the old minutes.
2. Executive Committee - Last week the Executive Committee approved a Carryover Budget for the funds leftover from the grant last year. We are also still looking for a Media Sector Rep due to Areia no longer working in Metropolis. Please let Holly know if you have any leads.
3. Treasurer's Report - The balance as of December 31, 2020, was \$20,681.00. Expenditures were regular monthly costs, fees from the golf tournament and a late payment for our YAC sponsor fee. Income was our grant, a late hole sponsorship, and a donation from Paul and Diane Karber. We appreciate the donation.
4. Fundraising - No fundraisers planned at this time. Massac Memorial is having an online trivia this month so we will not have one at this time. We received a donation from Massac County from the Drug Forfeiture Fund and we should receive one each year because the fund can only be spent on certain things, like drug education. Thanks to State's Attorney Josh Stratemeyer for his help in making this happen.
5. Trainings -
 - a. CADCA - Feb 1-4. Holly and Stacie will attend. They will also meet with our U.S. Senators and U.S. Rep at this time to discuss continued support/funding of the DFC program.
 - b. Youth Mental Health First Aid - February 19 - please contact Holly if interested

- c. Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) - Amber Anderson from Prevent Child Abuse will be performing this training next week. Let Holly know if you are interested.
- 6. Social Media/Advertising -
 - a. Billboard - We have a billboard that should be going up any day near Pizza Hut. We will replace it in about 6 months with another one so let Holly know if you have any idea for the next billboard.
 - b. Website - We have hired someone to revamp our website. Holly will let everyone know when the new one is up and running.
- 7. Drug Disposal Bags - The drug disposal bags have been delivered to several agencies for distribution including: Metropolis Police Department, Massac County Sheriff's Department, Southern 7 Health Dept, Massac Memorial Hospital and Clinics, Metropolis Drugs I & II, Massac Mental Health, and COPE Food Pantry. We thank these agencies for helping us to distribute these bags to the community. The bags will also be available for pick up at the office or we will deliver them as well. Holly sent a press release to the paper and it should be printed tomorrow.
- 8. Volunteer Opportunities -
 - a. Drug Disposal Bag Stickers - We will need stickers on more bags. Please contact Holly to set up a time to pick up bags and stickers.
 - b. Weekend Blessings/COPE flyer designs - Volunteer to design a flyer for the food bags. We do one flyer per month and have already had a couple of volunteers do this for December and January - thank you to Cindy Davis and William Parmley. Holly will provide a topic and some guidance if needed.
 - c. Brochure Graphic Design - we have a brochure lay-out with the information but need someone with graphic design experience to make it look good.
 - d. Attend a training - MCDAC can receive volunteer time for any training you attend that is related to MCDAC's mission.
- 9. Points Drop - Summer Dixon from the Massac County Sheriff's Dept spoke on the Points Drop program which was started about 2 years ago as a collaboration between MCDAC, Sheriff's Dept, Massac Memorial, and Drug Enforcement Group. Summer said the box is usually full each month and it is being used in a variety of ways, including drug needles, medical needles, and needles that law enforcement needs to dispose of. She advised that retired Sheriff Holder had

interviewed several addicts that use needles before implementing to see if they would use the box and they indicated that they would if it was “no questions asked.” There is a sign stating that it is “no questions asked.” She said that many needles are dropped off in the middle of the night. Both Summer and Harry said that law enforcement have no problem picking up a needle if someone finds one that needs to be disposed of. JR said that they usually have about 2 incidents per year where either a needle or drugs on the playground but the students report it. Another box was discussed but there isn’t an obvious location to put one as needles are found everywhere, and plus it would need to be under some type of surveillance as we wouldn’t want anyone damaging it.

10. Other - Diane gave a quick explanation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and how signing up can help our program and RSVP. For those over 55, RSVP can reimburse mileage for volunteer activities. They can also promote our events to help us find volunteers. Please contact Diane or Holly if interested in signing up.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 18, 2021, 8:00 a.m., Zoom