

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Regular Monthly Meeting
May 20, 2020, 8:00 a.m.
Zoom

Present: Holly Windhorst (Director), Stacie Aycock (Project Coordinator), Randy Rushing (Business Official), Billy McDaniel, Cami Horman, Steve Johnson, Marilyn Barfield, JR Conkle (Education Sector Rep), Sherell Sparks, Chris Wiedeman, Mike Moorman, Kelsey McNichols, Toni Miller, Brittney Hale, Steve Miller (Civic Sector Rep)

1. Welcome, approve old minutes: A motion was made by Marilyn and seconded by Steve Johnson to approve the old minutes.
2. Executive Committee: Met on May 12. Everything will be covered during the meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report: Expenditures- \$7,314.88 (rent, computer software, worker's comp, personnel, office, travel and website). Income-\$15,287.10 reimbursement from grant funds for expenditures. Balance as of April 30, 2020, was \$18,877.67
4. COVID-19 Changes: We have switched our focus to online work. Last week we did a social media campaign for National Prevention Week. We used pictures of community members who are working in prevention from the Sheriff's Dept, Police Dept, Centerpoint, Massac Memorial, and Massac County Mental Health. We appreciate their help.

All events are now cancelled or postponed. The next event to find out about is the School Supply Drive which usually takes place at the end of July/beginning of August.

Holly mentioned that there are several webinars about all different kinds of topics. She advised that we do want to train our coalition members on different topics and also the time spent watching the webinar can be used as matching funds. JR said he would be interested in webinars that related to school topics. If any others are interested, contact Holly.

A couple of weeks ago, Steve & Ruthie Johnson, Cindy Davis, Holly, and Stacie attended a webinar by Smart Approaches to Marijuana that talked about some of the things to expect when a marijuana dispensary comes to town. Steve talked about some of the things he learned about signage, odor ordinances, distances, etc. Mayor Bill McDaniel advised that there were some things in the new ordinance regarding marijuana regarding distance from churches, schools, etc., and his secretary would provide that ordinance to Holly via email. The information regarding the ordinance was much appreciated.

5. Fundraising: The Annual Golf Tournament has been postponed. Trivia night is still set for early November. MCDAC is listed as a charity on Amazon so please choose us to receive a portion of your sales. We are still waiting to hear back from Facebook regarding a “Donate” button. We are also still taking donations by mail.
6. Youth Advisory Council: No update other than CGTI (leadership camp) has been cancelled this summer. It will be virtual.
7. Community Survey: We are in the process of collecting survey responses from adults in Massac County. Holly has sent the survey out widely and we have about 200 responses so far. The survey will be available for a few more days.
8. Illinois Youth Survey: The survey was taken by Massac Co./Joppa students this past February. Holly shared some of the results regarding past 30 day use of alcohol and marijuana. She also shared where students report getting alcohol (friends, parties, and parents/adults WITH their permission) and marijuana (friends, drug dealers, older siblings, and other adults WITH their permission). We appreciate the school administrators and teachers with their work on getting the survey completed as MCDAC must have this data for our DFC grant.
9. Public Comment/Other: Holly advised that Saturday Night Live had aired a skit called “Let Kids Drink” which featured elementary aged kids simulating alcohol use surrounded by alcohol bottles and singing “Let us drink.” Holly submitted both an email and letter to NBC on behalf of MCDAC stating that we thought it was inappropriate. The video is available to view on Facebook and YouTube. Holly also advised that MCDAC is in need of a volunteer to update and maintain our website. Cami advised that she would be interested. Holly will email her after the meeting about what needs to be done.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 17, 2020, 8:00 a.m. via Zoom