

TO: Members of the Commissioners' Council on Drugs and Alcoholism
FROM: Donna Jenereski, D&A Director
RE: Board Meeting
LOCATION: Butler County Human Services Program Conference Room #132
and also via Zoom
DATE/TIME: January 17, 2023 – 7:30 a.m.

A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review and Approval of Minutes (November, 2022)
- III. Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items
- IV. Unfinished Business
- V. New Business – none
- VI. Program – Beth Ehrenfried Neveux, Strategic Prevention Framework
- VII. Reports
 - A. Director's Report
 - B. Financial Report
 - C. Case Manager Report
 - D. Prevention Report
 - E. Nominating Committee
 - F. PCCD Update
 - G. Drug Treatment Court Update
- VIII. Council Members' Concerns/Comments/Announcements
- IX. Providers' Concerns/Comments/Announcements
- X. Public Comment Regarding General Items
- XI. Adjournment

Mission Statement: The mission of the Butler County Commissioners' Council on Drug and Alcohol Programs is to assist residents of all ages to choose and live a lifestyle free of drug and alcohol abuse.

Butler County Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 15, 2022
TIME: 7:30 a.m.
PLACE: Butler County Human Services Conference Room - and also via Zoom

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Kevin Boozel
Kristan Semmler

Joshua Hakeem

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ruthane Durso, Butler Health System
Anna Shuster, Gaiser Center
Mark Marcus, Resolutions Recovery Center
Misty Miller, SPHS The CARE Center
Mary Allen, Trilogy Wellness

Donna Jenereski, Beth Ehrenfried-Neveux, Lisa Gill, Ralph Patrick, Tori Reagle, Bill Kepple, Grace Abbruzzese, Butler County Human Services

Call to Order

Vice Chairperson, Kristan Semmler, called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes (October 2022)

Kristan Semmler made a motion to approve the minutes as written.

All in Favor	1*
Opposed	0
Abstentions	0

*As there were no other board members present at this time during the meeting, additional votes were taken on all business presented at this meeting.

Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items

There was no public comment.

Unfinished Business

There was none.

New Business

Donna Jenereski presented two contract amendments for review by the Board.

Program

Misty Miller from SPHS – The Care Center, gave a presentation on the drug and alcohol services that they provide.

REPORTS

Director's Report

SCA: Case Management/Treatment/Prevention Updates:

- SRU Institute for Nonprofit Leadership: Recovering Life Initiatives update- As previously mentioned, the “HeART for Sobriety” art classes planned for the first three (3) Fridays in November started on November 4th. There were 18 people in attendance and they learned to make their own air plant terrarium. The second art class was held on November 11th and 15 individuals attended and designed their own tumbler cup. The third class, scheduled for November 18th, will focus on learning to paint.

A Taking Interest and Listening to Everyone's Story (T.I.L.E.S.) party is also being planned for December 2nd. This will be an opportunity for individuals in recovery to share their story by painting ceramic tiles to celebrate their own recovery, share hope with others, make a difference in the community, and stop the stigma. Completed tiles will then be attached to wooden flower boxes that will be displayed at various locations within the community.

A reconvene of the March 2022 Courageous Conversations SUD conference was held on November 7th at SRU. The reconvene focused on what is currently taking place within Butler County to encourage and support recovery as well as what other communities are doing, panel discussions and small group breakout sessions. There were approximately 55 people in attendance, including solid representation from the recovery community, and most were very willing to share input and ideas.

- Opioid Settlement Plan/Funding update- As discussed last month, D&A Advisory Board Members are invited to attend the upcoming Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB) meeting scheduled for tomorrow, November 16th. The funding proposals will be presented and those in attendance will have an opportunity to provide feedback.

- County Overdose update- As of last week there have been 55 confirmed overdose deaths thus far for 2022 with 8 cases still pending.

For comparison purposes: at this time last year, there had been 57 confirmed overdose deaths with 11 cases still pending.

- Board members were reminded that there will not be a D&A Advisory Board meeting in December. They were also reminded about the Holiday Board Breakfast on December 16th.

Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) Updates:

- SCA 5-Year Treatment Plan Update-

We completed our Treatment Plan update and submitted it to DDAP at the end of October. To date, we have not received any feedback from DDAP.

- Mid-year request for additional funding-

At the beginning of November, DDAP announced that they would be accepting requests for additional funding for FY 2022-23. We are planning to submit a request by the November 30th deadline.

- Recovery House Licensure update-

As of last week there are currently three (3) pending Butler County recovery house applications. DDAP is awaiting revised documentation and policies from two of the recovery houses and the third house must make physical plant corrections.

State Updates:

- HB 1393-

On November 3rd, Governor Wolf signed into law, legislation to assist in the fight to avoid opioid overdose deaths. HB 1393 amends The Controlled Substance, Drug Device and Cosmetic Act of 1972 to no longer define fentanyl test strips as drug paraphernalia. As such, it is no longer illegal for someone to possess fentanyl test strips or to distribute the test strips to individuals and families.

Financial Report

Bill Kepple reviewed the allocations and expenditures through September 30, 2022.

Case Manager Report

Beth Ehrenfried-Neveux reviewed the statistics for the Monthly Assessment Services, the Information/Referral Services (IRS), and the Client Location graph for the month of October 2022.

Prevention Report

Beth gave an overview of upcoming Drug & Alcohol prevention events and trainings. She reviewed the Prevention Service Data: including the Prevention/Intervention: Number of Services, Number of Individuals Served, and the Prevention Demographic Data for the month of October 2022.

Nominating Committee

No report.

PCCD Update

Kristan Semmler reported that there are fifteen (15) individuals participating in the program. There are seven (7) individuals in outpatient, and there is one person pending admission into the program.

Drug Treatment Court Update

Donna reported that there are currently eleven (11) individuals participating in the program. The majority of these individuals are at lower levels of care; out-patient, IOP, and there are two that are currently in residential in-patient treatment. Three (3) individuals are in jail; one pending further order of the court, one pending admission into drug and alcohol treatment, and one pending admission into the Forensic LTSR.

Council Members' Concerns/Comments/Announcements

There were none.

Providers' Concerns/Comments/Announcements

There were no provider comments.

Public Comment Regarding General Items

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 a.m.

*Additional votes were obtained from absent board members to approve all action items voted on that this meeting.

APPROVED AS TO FORMAT:

Shawn Pugh, Chairperson

Kristan Semmler, Secretary

SUBMITTED BY:

Grace Abbruzzese

Cc: Advisory Board Members