



Minutes from June 26, 2017 meeting of the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force

Meeting called to order at 9:05am. Minutes from the May 2017 meeting and today's agenda were approved. Introductions were completed.

1. Updates:
 - A. Meth Updates:
 - i. SWET reports an increase in Mexican Ice in the region, resulting in somewhat fewer one-pot method labs.
 - B. Legislative Updates:
 - i. A brief was provided and discussed; electronic copy will be emailed out with minutes. New pieces of legislation were mentioned, specifically several new pieces of Tobacco related legislation. Dr. Schirmer also spoke about Tobacco 21 legislation and pending hearings and court actions relative to the State Public Health Code vs. The Age of Majority Act.
 - C. Other Updates:
 - i. Dr. Schirmer spoke about a recent survey which indicated support for Tobacco 21 legislation.
 - ii. MLive has an article on opioid/heroin deaths in each county; the link to the article is http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/06/see_trend_of_opioidheroin_deat.html
 - iii. The Hastings Skate Park will be celebrating Day of Defiance on Saturday, July 8, 2017.
2. Steering Committee Report: No report.
3. Drug Free Communities Report:
 - A. The 2018 Federal Budget will not cut ONDCP as was leaked earlier this Spring; DFC and HIDTA funding remains intact for FY 2018.
 - B. Special Recognition: Youth Leadership
 - i. Rose Barbour was honored for her role in keeping Lakewood Teens Against Tobacco Use (TATU) and Youth Leadership up and running during the 2016-17 school year. For her efforts, Rose was honored as the Outstanding Youth of the Year by the Barry County United Way and Volunteer Center in April 2017. Rose graduated from Lakewood High School and plans to attend Grand Rapids Community College and Ferris State University for radiology studies.
 - ii. Megan Backe received the 2016 Youth Leadership Scholarship from the SATF this year, from a field of many candidates. She is a Hastings High School graduate and has been very involved with Youth Leadership, ABYS, and TATU for the last several years. Megan will attend Michigan State University in the fall to study Biochemistry.
4. Workgroup Reports:
 - A. Underage Drinking Workgroup:
 - a. Alcohol Vendor Education visits are complete for the year, with all county retailers visited. Thanks to Hastings City Police, the Barry County Sheriff's Department (Middleville Unit), and MSP Community Service Trooper, Kellie Summerhays.
 - b. Project Sticker Shock is scheduled for Wednesday, June 28, 2017.
 - B. Heroin Opioids Workgroup
 - i. Special funding is available from SWMBH for opiate prevention and education on a regional level. Funding will cover regional conferences, disposal expansion, narcan dispersal, and other efforts.
 - ii. The SATF has also sent a letter of interest for another opiate prevention grant opportunity sponsored by BCBS.
 - C. Community Survey Development Team

- i. The 2017 Community Survey is open and we have over 220 responses. The survey link is www.surveymonkey/r/SATF2017 .
5. Old Business:
 - A. Very Barry Family Event was held on Saturday, June 10, with very good participation.
 - B. Synar Compliance checks are complete in Barry County for 2017 with 100% compliance.
 - C. Youth 2 Youth, an intense youth leadership event, was held last week in Ohio; three Barry County youth and seven Allegan youth attended with staff from both counties.
6. New Business:
 - A. Upcoming Events:
 - i. Barry County Fair—Emergency Management Tent: July 17-21, 2017
 - a. Jim Yarger will send out a request for volunteers
 - ii. Overdose Prevention Community Presentation—Nancy King is pending for July/August 2017.
7. Next meeting Date: Next Meeting will be Monday, July 24, 9:00 am, Barry County Central Dispatch Training Center, 2600 Nashville Rd, Hastings, MI 49058.
8. Adjournment at 9:47 am.