



Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force

"Working Together for a Drug Free Community"

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Minutes from May 18, 2016 meeting of the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force

Meeting called to order at 9:03 am. Minutes from the April 2016 meeting and the agenda were approved. Introductions were completed.

1. Updates:

A. Meth Updates: Dale Boulter reported on some recent tips, as well as recent N-Plex training.

B. Legislative Updates: Megan reported on activity on meth bills.

C. Other Updates:

- i. Dr. Schirmer reported on the FDA's regulation of e-cigarettes; regulations will go into effect in 90 days from 5/6/16 and continue over the next 3 years. There are still some concerns, as the regulations do not restrict advertising to youth or flavor additives which are also attractive to youth.
- ii. Tobacco 21 was passed in California; Dr. Schirmer mentioned that Ann Arbor, Michigan, will likely adopt Tobacco 21, and there is a bill yet to be introduced in Michigan in support of Tobacco 21.
- iii. The Day of Defiance VIII is scheduled for July 9, 2016. There will be a Skate Park Graduation Party, date TBA. There was discussion about art, graffiti wall, and stopping unwelcome vandalism/tagging.
- iv. Narcan administrations in Barry County are being reported by both law enforcement and ambulances; Achilles Malta reported all law enforcement, including 5th District MSP, in the SWMBH region have been trained to administer Narcan, with 17 reversals to date.
- v. Fox 17 News reported on a medical marijuana dispensary in the county:
<http://fox17online.com/2016/05/13/backlash-after-medical-marijuana-dispensary-opens-in-barry-county/>
- vi. Megan Palmer attended an event in Macomb County on 5/6/16 which focused on educating our communities about the dangers of legalized marijuana. Language for an intended ballot initiative can be found at [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/Petition - MI Comprehensive Cannabis Law Reform Cmte VERDANA 491725 7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/sos/Petition_-_MI_Comprehensive_Cannabis_Law_Reform_Cmte_VERDANA_491725_7.pdf)
- vii. Thank you to all SATF members and volunteers who made the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Medicine Take Back a success on May 7, 2016.
- viii. Justin Sydloski, a member of the SATF's Youth Leadership Workgroup, has been accepted to Harvard and he will attend in Fall 2016. Congratulations!

2. Steering Committee:

A. Cindy Bigler reported on our May 3, 2016 meeting to prepare for today's meeting and DFC Site Visit.

3. Drug Free Communities Site Visit:

A. LaVencia Sugars, Project Officer, with SAMHSA/CSAP, shared briefly about today's site visit which will follow the SATF meeting. All SATF members are welcome to attend/participate.

4. Workgroup Reports:

A. Heroin Opioid Workgroup: Special Presentation on MAPS Data

- i. Megan Palmer and Tessa Verburg gave a presentation on local/state MAPS data, with special emphasis on Schedule II and Schedule III medications, 2011 and 2014.

B. Medicine Abuse Workgroup:

- i. Medication Collection totals were shared during the above presentation.
- ii. The SATF is partnering with the Health Department and Solid Waste Oversight Committee with the medicine collection bags; these were shared, along with permanent medicine collection locations.

C. Public Awareness Workgroup:

- i. This is National Prevention Week and there are email messages being sent each day. Please share them.
- 5. Old Business: None
- 6. New Business:
 - A. Ellen Mazique Sydloski thanked the SATF for the work with youth and the efforts of the Youth Leadership Workgroup.
- 7. Next meeting Date: Next Meeting will be Monday, June 27, 2016, 9:00 am, Barry County Central Dispatch Training Center, 2600 Nashville Rd, Hastings, MI 49058.

Adjournment at 10:06 am.