



Minutes from October 23, 2017 Meeting of the Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force

Meeting called to order at 9:02 am. Minutes from the September meeting and today's agenda were approved. Introductions were completed.

1. Updates:
 - A. Meth Updates: Rick Pazder, via an email to Liz Lenz, sent an update regarding one clandestine meth lab being reported in August 2017 in Barry County. No other updates.
 - B. Legislative Updates:
 - i. Many new pieces of legislation and updates were discussed; the legislative update was distributed and will be emailed out with minutes.
 - ii. Two Ballot Initiatives for the legalization of recreational marijuana are in the petition gathering stage. The documents were shared and there is a group statewide working to explain the ballot language.
 - C. Other Updates:
 - i. The Barry County Sheriff's Department's hours for PBT's has changed to 6-10 am, daily.
2. Steering Committee Report:
 - A. The Steering Committee met on 10/19/2017 and set today's agenda; Dale Boulter gave the report.
3. Drug Free Communities:
 - A. 2017 SATF Internal Assessment is open; we need 25-30 responses.
 - i. Here is the link to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SATFinternalassx2017>
 - ii. Kathleen Zimmerman-Oster, PhD, will be at the November 2017 SATF meeting with results.
4. Workgroup Reports:
 - A. Medicine Abuse Workgroup
 - i. National DEA Medicine Take Back Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2017, 10- 2pm. Barry County Sheriff's Department and Hastings City Police are registered to participate.
 - B. Heroin Opioids Workgroup
 - i. We have reached out to Nancy King to schedule another Community Overdose Prevention Training.
 - ii. We are getting requests for naloxone kits.
 - iii. We will be developing an informational outreach message "campaign" regarding opiates and community safety/resources; we will also be getting more messages out via social media.
 - C. Public Awareness Workgroup
 - i. We are recruiting new members to assist with campaign development and focus groups. Members interested should contact Megan Palmer.
5. Old Business:
 - A. Marijuana:
 - i. MMFLA questions continue; the Prosecutor's Office and SATF attended several township meetings in October. We are also reaching out to municipalities to see what decision, if any, they've made so far regarding MMFLA ordinances and what technical assistance, if any, is needed. Several members will be reaching out to additional municipalities.
6. New Business:
 - A. 2018 SATF Member Trainings:
 - i. Discussion was held on what trainings members would like to see in 2018, including the following:
 - a. Strategic Planning
 - b. MMMA/MMFLA Updates with Ken Stecker
 - c. Drug Recognition Expert (MSP/SWET?)
7. **Next meeting Date: Next Meeting will be Monday, November 27, 2017, 9:00 am, Barry County Central Dispatch Training Center, 2600 Nashville Rd, Hastings, MI 49058.**
8. Adjournment at 10:00 am.