

Highland County Drug Coalition
Thursday, October 27, 2016

Members Present: Melinda Sheets, Heather Gibson, Kim Zornes, Kim Helton, Barb Cole, Tonya Sturgill, Sarah Cooper, Tori Priest, Jared Warner, Mary Remsing, Charles Seymour, Claudette Greene, Todd Whited, Bonnie Britton, Andrea Holt, Sarah Fizer, Valerie Williams, Penny Dehner, Janet Fair, Tara Campbell, Terri Short, Shawn Call and Erin, Holsted

Chairperson: Heather Gibson

Approval of September's Minutes

Minutes for the September 2016 were approved

Past Business:

Hope for Highland: \$11,000.00 was raised from the event. Conference call was held with organizers of the Hope for Highland County. Discussion was help about the organization of our event and possible locations.

Red Ribbon Week: Hillsboro and Greenfield elementary did not get the information about the event

Hidden in Plain Sight: The Health Department has taken this over and have done a great job. Tonya Sturgill motioned to allow the Health Department to keep the supplies that were purchased by the funds from Pam Limes. Seconded by Barb Cole

501 C-3: Does the coalition want to apply for 501 C-3 status. It is expensive to apply. Three people must be willing to file for it. Penny Dehner stated if the coalition obtains 501 C-3 Melinda's involvement would be less.

New Business:

Hope over Heroin: Deposit is available. Location to be determined. Churches are the core to these events. Success where the drug trafficking is, where people can walk to the vent, etc.

Heather spoke about the Pain Management Clinic to open at HDH. She gave this to the supply reduction committee to gather data to educate the community. PMG w/HDH will be at the next coalition meeting.

Close of Business Meeting was motioned and approved

General Portion:

Welcome and introductions were made

Heather Gibson discussed Red Ribbon week in the school. The high and middle schools were writing essays.

Advocacy – working with Ginger to develop solace group for Highland County.

Treatment – Hope over Heroin event. Master bag is ready.

Harm Reduction – Sarah Cooper spoke on getting HIPS out to the communities. They were going to be in Leesburg on the 3rd and Hillsboro on the 17th. Jared spoke about the opiate grant the Health Department was applying for.

Supply Reduction – Barb Cole discussed the PMG w/HDH will be here at the next meeting.

Prevention: Spoke about a \$5000.00 grant for training and purchase of a digital recorder.

Next meeting is a Thanksgiving Holiday. Discussed combining November and December meetings due to the holidays. Thursday, December 1st.

Motioned: Jared Warner

Seconded: Tonya Sturgill

Guest Speaker – Penny Dehner, Paint Valley ADAMH Board

General portion meeting was motioned and approved.