

Butler County Drug & Alcohol Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

DATE: August 16, 2022
TIME: 7:30 a.m.
PLACE: Butler County Human Services Conference Room - and also via Zoom

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kristan Semmler	John Johnson
Mark Lope	Alicia Beighley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kenneth Clowes, Butler County Community College
Anna Shuster, Gaiser Center
Mark Marcus, Resolutions Recovery Center

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

Call to Order

In Shawn Pugh's absence, Kristan Semmler called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes (July 2022)

Mark Lope made a motion to approve the minutes as written. John Johnson seconded the motion.

All in Favor	4*
Opposed	0
Abstentions	0

*Since there was a lack of a quorum, 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

No new business was presented at this meeting.

Program

There was no program.

REPORTS

Director's Report

SCA: Case Management/Treatment/Prevention Updates:

- SRU Institute for Nonprofit Leadership: Recovering Life Initiatives-

There will be two (2) sessions of 'Rediscovering Your Story' creative writing workshop offered this fall at the Butler SCCCEED office on Main Street. The first session offered will run from September 6th through October 4th and the second session will start on October 18th and end on November 8th. The workshop classes for both sessions will meet each Tuesday (5:00-6:30pm).

A public reading for both workshops is being planned for November 29, 2022 and this event will be open to anyone within the community who would like to attend.

- FY 2022-23 Contracts-

I hope to finish preparing the remaining prevention contracts and send them out to providers by the end of the week.

- County Overdose update-

As of last week there have been 32 confirmed overdose deaths thus far for 2022 with 7 cases still pending.

For comparison purposes: at this time last year, there had been 36 confirmed overdose deaths with 19 cases still pending.

Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) Updates:

- DDAP Onsite Monitoring Visit update-

DDAP conducted the onsite portion of the monitoring process with our office on July 27th. The visit was initially planned for two days but DDAP finished their review in one day. Overall, everything went well and DDAP provided technical assistance in a few areas. These areas included contract information and DDAP's SCA Data System (SDS), and client chart information related to PA-WITS.

- DDAP/SCA Retreat update-

DDAP hosted a mandatory retreat for SCA's on August 11th in Harrisburg. SCA's were provided with updates on the state and federal budgets, administration transition planning, ongoing and upcoming initiatives to support recovery support services, partnerships between federal, state, and local government organizations working to address the addiction crisis.

Each of DDAP's bureau directors provided information on the work occurring under their supervision and any potential impacts to stakeholders, including the SCA's.

The SCA's also participated in a transition planning exercise designed to gather input from the SCA's regarding the development of DDAP's 2023-2026 strategic plan & simultaneous transition planning for the incoming governor and administration.

- Recovery House Licensure update-

According to DDAP, 121 recovery houses have received licensure. As of yesterday, 106 recovery houses have submitted an application and are awaiting a review or a request for further action from DDAP. DDAP is in the process of hiring two additional staff to assist with the recovery house licensure process.

There are currently two (2) pending recovery house applications from Butler County on the list. DDAP has requested further documentation and/or policy revisions from one house. The second house is currently under initial review by DDAP.

State Updates:

None

Financial Report

Bill Kepple reviewed the allocations and expenditures through June 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 July 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. She provided an informational handout and notices for upcoming events.

Nominating Committee

No report.

PCCD Update

Kristan Semmler reported that there are sixteen (16) individuals participating in the program. Two (2) individuals have completed treatment. One (1) individual is incarcerated pending admission into treatment.

Drug Treatment Court Update

Donna reported that there are currently thirteen (13) individuals participating in the program. There are two (2) individuals who are currently incarcerated, pending further order of the court.

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 7:58 a.m.

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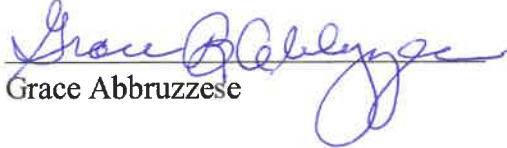
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Cc: Advisory Board Members



Kristan Semmler, Secretary



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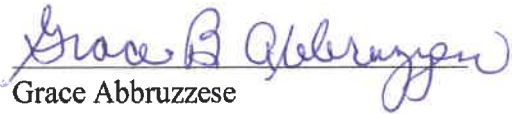
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