Blair Drug and Alcohol Partnership Advisory Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2025-Conference Room G

Welcome/Introductions:
Voting Members In-Person: Kylee Wisor, Holly O'Connor, Amy Graham, Tricia Johnson, Lynn Thompson Gregory
Voting Members on Zoom: Clark Sheehe, Ryan Custead, Josh Hayes
Voting Members Absent with Notice: Brendan Moran
Voting Members Absent without Notice: None
Non-Voting Members In-Person: Michelle Childers, Michaela Benson, Donna Carter, Judy Rosser, Ben Eberhart, Amanda Humphreys, Marcee Petrarca
Non-Voting Members on Zoom: Jeff Colbert, Joe Bettwy, Mary Fleck, Eric Fritz

Review of the Minutes: Clark Sheehe made the motion to approve the December meeting minutes. Amy seconded the motion. Motion approved by all voting members present.

Additions to Agenda/Public Comments: None

Presentation: Youth League Committee: Michaela discussed what the committee does in the community, what events are coming up and fundraisers coming up. Agencies come together to give kids and families in the county fun things to do. Some of the events include the Pittsburgh Zoo, DelGrosso's Park and an Altoona Curve baseball game.

Partnership Action Items:
Requesting approval of the Engage, Empower and Believe Billboards to promote the coalition. This is a $9,000.00 Campaign. The billboard copies are attached to the notes. This campaign will start running on February 10th, 2025.
Action: Amy made a motion to approve the education committee's recommendation on the billboard copies for the engage, empower, believe campaign. Holly seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all voting members present.

Slate of Officers for 2025 Discussion: It was discussed at the last meeting we are in need of the Chair and second Chair. I was able to reach out to some of the members who were consistent in their attendance at the meeting. Ryan Custead has agreed to be considered for the second chair, at time of developing the packet the Chair position was still open. Judy did reach out to Clark Sheehe who agreed to being nominated as the chair. The following is the slate of officers.

Chair: Clark Sheehe; First Vice Chair: Brendan Moran; Second Vice Chair: Ryan Custead.
Action Item: Amy made the motion to approve the Slate of Officers for the 2025 calendar year. Tricia seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all voting members present.

Coalition Planning/Committee Reports:
CPDUD- working with Hollidaysburg SADD students to make recordings for TigerTV on driving under the influence of drug and alcohol, distracted driving, and seat belt safety.
Youth League- movie day on February 14th at the Altoona Area Library (Inside Out 2) and talking about different fundraising opportunities.
Education- discussed options for billboard campaigns and the design for each of them, discussing ways to expand our coalition through the education committee.

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Rise for Recovery- discussion about changing the logo for Rise for Recovery, establishing a new site for open mic night at Cosmic Charlies, and discussion about winter event. Arts in Recovery on May 16th (flyer to be sent out in February). Planning has started for the Recovery Walk.

Partner Updates:
Tricia (Dept. of Social Services)-Commissioner's meetings are now at 10am on Thursdays
Ben (Arkview)-MAT training on March 28th at the facility
Josh (Center for Community Action)-Working on grants get assistance for those in the area
Mary (Penn Highlands)-Looking to fill the Director position
Joe (CCBH)-Blair County Stakeholder Meeting on February 12th
Jeff-Multi Dimensional Family Therapy has a new supervisor, Chandler. He will be attending future meetings on behalf of Evolution Counseling.
Eric-Duncansville Community Center is up and running. It holds approximately 200 people for events. Additional upgrades will be happening in the spring.

BDAP Grants and Program Updates
PREP Grant: A new director is being assigned to the Emergency Department in the next month. We are hoping this director will provide some positive direction for this project.
PCCD Re-entry Women's grant: Grant expires on 6/30/2025. We have received a large order of supplies to support the group. We will continue to operate the group with our current resources.
DDAP Crisis Stabilization Grant: Construction to be completed in January 2025. A request to extend the funds till June 30, 2025 was submitted and approved by DDAP. The amendment to the contract has been executed.
PCCD in prison medicated assisted treatment grant: The prison sees approximately 20-25 individuals per day for MAT services. We received the approval of the MAT grant through June 30, 2025. The amendment to the Prime Care Contract has been executed. No other updates at this time.
Children Youth and Families Discussion: Contract is being forwarded to the commissioners for approval for the Seeking Safety service and Letter of Agreement for the CM services. We will be providing a Intensive Case Manager in their office one day a week to support warm hand off to care.
Recognized Entity for Narcan: Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs has taken over the management of the Narcan distribution from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. We have distributed 984 doses from Jul-Dec 2024
PA Traffic Injury Prevention Project: There was a lot of activity related to this project. We got notified the second week of December that the seats would start to be shipped in the third week of December. It was CRAZY! We had a large box truck with over 200 seats each delivered each day from Dec 17th-20th and 2 box trucks on the 20th. The last shipment was on the 31st. We received 250 infants, 250 convertible's, 250 combinations, 250 high back boosters and 250 boosters. We had them secured everywhere. We started to provide some to partnering agencies and one of their clients posted it on Face Book and we got slammed with phone calls and people showing up. We organized several dates and times we would be distributing them to the community. To date we exhausted the convertible and combination style and have about ½ of each of the other styles. The staff did a great job at rallying to get the trucks unloaded and to support the distribution dates. It was a great way to give back to the community over the holiday

season. Everyone was so grateful for the seats, and no one took advantage of it by asking for more than they needed. Our last 2 events were much more organized, and we were able to also include some of our prevention information/coalition and information on our services.

Drug Free Communities Grant: We received notification that we were awarded year 6 of the grant. Our amended budget was approved. Brianna Cunningham has accepted the PT position for this grant.

Trauma Informed Organization-We are adding this to our notes to keep the partnership aware of the work we are going to be doing to support our organization environment and staffing to become more trauma informed. I will be sharing our plans as we move forward on this process. We have added this to our manager/supervisor and all staff meeting agendas to start. We have identified a team of approximately 6 people to serve on a quality improvement team to begin our planning around training, facility environment and screening for trauma within the service we offer. We will be doing a survey in the month of January of the staff to get input on planning for this project.

CRAFT: Community Reinforcement and Family Training is an evidence-based intervention that assists family, and friends develop effective strategies for helping their loved ones. We have trained 5 staff to offer this education to our family members. It is an open-ended class so a family can start any point they contact our office. We will be offering it on going. We are in the implementation phase of the project. We hope to start our first workshop next month (Feb). There is also a Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Grant we may apply for due 2/28/25 to support funding the workshops starting 7/1/2025. It is a 2-year grant.

BDAP Bi-annual report; July 1- December 31 2024-attached in packet
Amanda went over the data in the bi-annual report.