



Van Buren County SAFE Coalition
May Meeting Minutes
Location: VBCH Community Services Center
Tuesday, May 15, 2018
9:00 a.m.

Meeting called to order by Melissa Daugherty at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Gloria Brown – Other Organization/Grandparent, Carol Burnside – Healthcare, Melissa Daugherty – Healthcare/Other Organization/Parent, Heaven Johnson – Other Organization, Ginger Knisley – Other Organization, Kris Rankin – IPFS Coordinator/Parent

April Meeting Minutes approved by: Gloria Brown **Second:** Ginger Knisley

Topic: Iowa Partnerships for Success Work Time

- 2018-19 IPFS Application Kris is in the process of making edits to the budget descriptions and action plan.
- Alcohol Restrictions at Community Events at Privately Owned Facilities
 - Coalition members reviewed the contacts made since the April coalition meeting. Kris is working with the Lodge at Windy Ridge on whether or not they would like to implement a policy. The Douds Community Grounds & Community Center voted to implement a no alcohol allowed policy for the Community Grounds and an alcohol restriction policy with recommended best practices for the Community Center. Kitty is working with the River Valley Horsecamp & Lodge on whether or not they would like to implement a policy. Kris will be attending the Van Buren County Fairgrounds meeting on May 24, 2018 to see if they are interested in implementing a policy there. Kris has worked with Steve Kising, Roberts Memorial Building, over the past few weeks and they have chosen to implement an alcohol restrictions policy and they want help writing that policy. So, Kris will be working with them this month and in June to develop a policy for that facility.
 - Ginger asked how many policies needed to be implemented for the Long Term Outcome. The coalition needs to have seven written policies passed and implemented by September 29, 2019. Currently there have been four policies passed (Douds Community Grounds, Douds Community Center, Keosauqua Senior Center, and Milton American Legion).
- Alcohol Use Restrictions in Public Places:
 - The coalition members reviewed a chart of the city councils and their current responses to the request to implement a policy/ordinance to address their alcohol restrictions in their public places. Birmingham is checking to see if there are already written policies for the ball park and pavilion at the city park. Bonaparte said at their May City Council meeting that they are not interested in implementing an ordinance, but they are starting a community events committee that will develop policy for all community events and they have invited the coalition to take part in that committee. Cantril, Keosauqua, Milton and Stockport have now all said that they are not interested in implementing ordinances for their public places at this time. Farmington is still open to discussion and is open to having coalition members be a part of a work session on implementing an alcohol restrictions policy for their community.
 - Kris shared that while meeting with her IPFS Capacity Coach this week they had discussed that the coalition may need to think outside of the box and what that might look like for the towns that have already said no to a new policy/ordinance. She then spoke with Melissa about the possibility of talking with those four towns about policies for just their ball fields. Kris asked if everyone to consider what other out of the box ideas might be utilized with the four towns.
- Life Skills Training Curriculum – Update:
 - The classes are continuing to go well with the 8th grade students at the Van Buren Community Middle School. The last group will complete on Thursday, May 24th. So far only one student has not completed the full curriculum this year.
 - Next year the teacher will need to change for this curriculum. Kris is working with the DECAT Board to fund the training cost for the new teacher. The school has agreed to pay for the training if the DECAT Board will not fund it.
- IPFS Media Campaign – Update:
 - The coalition staff are in the process of having new posters personalized, printed and distributed to the current media outlets. They will also be working to recruit new outlets for the summer while students are out of school.
 - The YLC students have helped to display the media campaign on Facebook, Snap Chat and Instagram this year. It has also continued to be displayed on the coalition's website, blog, and Facebook pages; at the Van Buren Community Jr. /Sr. High School; at the Van Buren County Hospital & Clinics; at the public libraries; and at local churches.

- Social Host Ordinance
 - The group reviewed and approved the Flyer & Post Cards for the upcoming Community Conversations that will be happening June 7th, July 12th, and August 8th.
 - Kris shared the Flyer with the Farmington & Cantril City Councils last week to start promoting the events. She will also be mailing them to the other city councils and local merchants to share.
 - The post cards will be utilized with the Rotary, Lions, Libraries, Veterans Coffee, etc.
 - Kris passed out the 3 Point flyers for coalition members to share with others and have those conversations to raise awareness and support for the ordinance.
 - There was a discussion on the Board of Supervisors election coming this year. Those running in the primary are Republican: Dale House, Steve McKeehan, Mark Meek, and Ted Nixon; Democratic: Taylor Sickels and Clark Whitaker.
 - There was a discussion on the County Attorney election as well. Running in the primary is Republican H. Craig Miller.
 - There was a discussion on the State Senator seat that will also be open.
- Trainings this year:
 - Kris offered that there are funds to take coalition members to the upcoming Quarterly AC4C Retreats. She said that if anyone is interested in attending one of these trainings that they contact her so that she can help them to get registered.
 - Kris shared that the coalition's evaluator, Epiphany Community Services, offers free webinars and any coalition member is welcome to attend these webinars. If you need help registering for one of these please contact Kris. The REACH Trainings are about the evaluation system the coalition uses to track their data and information on work that is being done by the coalition members and staff. The other trainings are on topics relevant to coalition work and are beneficial for all coalition members. The webinars are one hour long.
- Conduits & Catalysts: Who are the people in the community that coalition members need to engage to spread the word and support for the coalition??
 - Kris asked for input on who the coalition needs to engage – who are the movers/shakers or conduits/catalysts for change in the county. Suggestions were: City Council Members, Older Population, Medical Community/Public Health, Veterans, and 4-H.
 - The group discussed the idea of combining the SAFE Coalition, Healthy Villages, and Child Abuse Prevention Council and make it a Breakfast/Lunch/Late Afternoon meeting. The idea of combining into one community prevention group is still being discussed. Kris put out a survey to see what members thought of changing the meeting time. That included everyone on the coalition's eServer list of 67 people. It was mentioned it would be a good thing to add to the community conversations agenda. There was a discussion of business owners who might be good members. Ginger suggested going back to some of those who used to be involved and talk with them about why they are no longer involved and what would help them to become active again. Gloria pointed out that there are some new business owners: the pharmacy, the Flower House, Brecounts, etc. There was a discussion about Law Enforcement. There is good communication and they do partner with the coalition on strategies and work. It is hard for them to attend meetings due to only having six officers to cover the whole county. In the past the coalition had reserve officers that were retired from full time work that were very active, but they have all now retired from the reserve officers as well. The current reserve officers all work full time jobs.
 - Heaven asked if the coalition will have a booth at the county fair. At this point that is not planned. There was a discussion about having a booth there. The YLC group is planning on being there on family day (Sunday, July 22, 2018) to do face painting and the coalition might be able to have information there during that time. Kris shared that Jennifer (4-H) does see the coalition as a resource.
 - Kris pointed out that many of the 67 people on the eServer list see the coalition as a resource and when contacted they help and support the work of the coalition.
 - Carol asked about putting it in the coalition newsletters. Kris shared that she has. She has also mentioned it at city council meetings for the past year and run articles in the newspaper inviting community members to join the coalition.

ACTION STEP: Move forward with the next steps for each strategy, build coalition capacity, have coalition members attend trainings

By Whom: Coalition Members

By When: June 19, 2018

Topic: Community Partnership Grant Update

- Melissa shared that she has been working with the ball parks. Keosauqua has a written policy and they just need signs for the new ball park. Bonaparte and Farmington are the only other fields being used this year. She has approached Bonaparte and they do not have a written policy, but they do have signs for no tobacco. She is not sure if they will implement a written policy. Douds ball field is on the school grounds and is covered by the School's Tobacco Free Policy. Melissa will be checking if they need signs or not.

- Kris asked if Melissa is getting anywhere with adding vaping to these policies. Melissa shared that so far only Keosauqua includes all tobacco products. The signs need to say tobacco free not smoke free.
- Kris asked Melissa to check for no alcohol signs in Farmington when she is there. Melissa said she would.
- Melissa shared that the hospital did apply for the renewal grant. She is waiting to hear if they have been approved. IDPH has had contact with her about revisions though.

ACTION STEP: Work with the city councils to implement written ordinances

By Whom: Melissa Daugherty and Amanda Payne

By When: June, 2018

Topic: Community Grant Report

- Van Buren County Foundation Grant
 - The coalition received the \$1500 reimbursement for the 2017-18 grant year.
 - The coalition received a 2018-19 grant of \$1900 to help produce, print and mail the coalition newsletters.

ACTION STEP: None

Topic: Youth Leadership Council Update

- Melissa shared that the Youth Coordinators took 27 Middle School Students to Adventureland on May 5, 2018. It was a good group of kids, the weather was wonderful, the kids had a good attitude, and everything went well while the group was there.
- The YLC Members will have a booth at the Kids Fair and the Van Buren County Fair in July.
- The last High School meeting was yesterday. The last Middle School meetings are tomorrow and they will be doing some tobacco facts on the middle school sidewalks during those meetings.
- Lauren & Lindsey Starnes both received a \$100 SAFE Coalition Scholarship for participating in YLC.
- The youth coordinators will be presenting the Middle School YLC Awards on May 25, 2018
- The coordinators are considering taking 5 students to the AC4C Youth Conference in June. It will depend on if the school approves it and if the students can attend.
- There was a discussion on how YLC Meetings may or may not be able to be held next year as well as activities.

ACTION STEP: None

Topic: Rx Take Back Event – Results

- Locally: 4.6 lbs. that day and 33 lbs. sent back from the past 6 months.
- State: 12,333 lbs.
- Nationally: 949,046 lbs. collected
- Sieda created a new poster to share in the community to promote the permanent drop box. They were passed out to be distributed in the community.

ACTION STEP: None

Topic: Other Business

- There was a discussion on what a prevention coalition in Van Buren County should look like in the future. Especially if there is no paid staff member. Possibly combining with Child Abuse Prevention Council and Healthy Villages into one group that could address prevention overall through a 501c3.
- There was a discussion on the upcoming county elections, including the Board of Supervisors, County Attorney, and State Senator.
- A Thank You Note from the Van Buren County Parents as Teachers to the coalition for funding their attendance of the DEC Conference from the Coalition’s Other Funds was shared with members present.
- Kris shared information on the upcoming AC4C June Meeting. A flyer was in the packets.
- Kris shared information on the upcoming Resilience Screening next Wednesday, May 23rd at 5:00 pm at the VBCH Community Services Center Conference Room. A flyer was in the packets.
- The Children’s Mental Health & Wellbeing Collaborative may have funding to meet next year as well. The June 14th meeting will be at the Fairfield AEA Building and it will be a half day meeting and they are going to provide meals again that day.

Next Coalition Meeting: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the Van Buren County Hospital’s Community Services Center Conference Room.

Meeting Adjourned: At 9:55 a.m. *Meeting minutes are only a summary of the meeting.