



# J.C.D.P.C.

Jefferson County Drug Prevention Coalition

## MISSION STATEMENT

*"Motivating Jefferson County to change the culture of substance abuse acceptance."*

## VISION STATEMENT

*"Empowering our community to make substance abuse prevention a priority; celebrating healthy lifestyles."*

### **MEETING MINUTES: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in Windsor's PDC Room**

Attendance: Laura Casey, COMTREA; Kristin Bengtson, NCADA; Kristine Bogue, Jefferson College; Kristin Charlesworth, Care Connections; Morgan O'Connor, JCHD; Michael McIntosh, Pharmax; Rebecca Ellison, Jefferson College; Kevin Koch, Walgreens; Jessica Stolle, NA; Cheryl Qualls, NA; James Espie, Jefferson County Treatment Court; Heather Craig, NCADA; Jamie McCarthy, Mercy; Amy Baum, CASA Jefferson County; Leah Woods, CenterPointe; Laura Bilsland, COMTREA; Amanda Purdum, DEA; Jillian Bissell (JCDPC); Alicia Towery (JCDPC)

#### **1. OPENING (10 min.)**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Welcome and Introductions
- c. Approval of Minutes **Motion: Kristine Bogue , 2<sup>nd</sup>: Heather Craig**

#### **2. Acknowledgements/Accomplishments – *Jillian & Alicia attended CADCA Mid-Year with 5 TAB members; Registration is now open for JCDEC on October 18<sup>th</sup>; Registration for Youth Drug Education Conference is open- please promote to Jefferson County High School Students!; Walgreens is hopeful that Missouri wording about having drop boxes in places that sell prescriptions will be altered; Attended the Back To School Resource Fair on July 26<sup>th</sup>***

#### **3. TRAINING/GROUP DISCUSSION (20 minutes):**

**Topic: "CASA of Jefferson County" (Amy Baum) – Court Appointed Special Advocates. They have 65 volunteers serving over 100 kids. They are working to serve every child in foster care in our county. We have a severe shortage of foster care homes- only 61-62 in Jefferson County so they are spread around the St. Louis area. There is so much inconsistency, tend to have multiple case workers, change of living, etc. The case worker is the person who is making sure they are cared for and if that changes, the new worker won't see the change in the child who is in foster care. What a volunteer does- doesn't need any special qualifications- needs to have a passion for helping children in need and needs to have their own stability. They go through a 5 week flex training course and are sworn in to be able to help the child and are matched with who CASA feels would be a good child/adult match. CASA is a 501c3 and funded by grants and fundraising. Biggest funder is Victims of Crime Act federal grant and large support from Jefferson Foundation.**

#### **4. Reports (15 min.)**

- a. Executive Board- **No new updates; Welcome to Lori Epley & Jamie McCarthy for joining JCDPC's EB; August meeting is focused on amending Bylaws to support merger with JCHD**
- b. Teen Advisory Board (TAB)/Jefferson Foundation: **YDEC registration is open and working on their new Homecoming campaign for the Jefferson County High Schools.**



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- c. Drug Free Communities – ***Survey went out last week to determine JCDPC monthly meetings beginning on October 1<sup>st</sup> (Results from 31 respondents: 46%= 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 71%= 9:00-10:30am, 87%= Arnold location). Arnold JCHD is not available on the first Wednesday of every month, so JCDPC is looking at other options in Arnold (Jefferson College's campus is confirmed to be available. Suggested to look at Arnold Rec Ctr & Care Connections facilities as options); Still need help putting drop box location yard signs around Jefferson County; Working on cleaning out JCDPC's office in preparation for move to JCHD (plan to bring items to September meeting to see if anyone could use items); Working on purchasing Talk About It campaign materials and getting pricing (cost for unit and disposal) for a sharps disposal kiosk for community members to utilize***
5. IMPORTANT UPDATES (15 min.)
  - a. General Coalition –
  - b. Partners – ***Care Connections has their grandparents/family class on parenting someone else's child this Saturday (is 2 parts, for 4 hours) that includes child care and lunch. CenterPointe has their fall Conference Sept 14<sup>th</sup> in St. Peters County that offers 6 CEUs and the topic is "Addiction is a Family Disease"***
  - c. Work groups
6. Work Group(s) (30 min.)

Topic: N/A
7. ADJOURNMENT (10:30 a.m.)

10:30 – 11:00 Networking Opportunity offered at end of meeting

**NEXT MEETING:**

Date: ***Wednesday, September 5, 2018***

Location: ***Windsor's PDC Room***

Training Topic: ***"Suicide Prevention" (Elizabeth Makulec – KUTO)***