

Bond County Recovery Council Wednesday, August 14, 2024 10am-11:30am (probably only until 11am) Via Zoom/In Person at the SMART building 3rd Floor

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

In Person: (Have sign in sheet)-

Toni Randall-BCRC
Monique Brunious-BCRC
Julie Herr-RSUPIC
Dusty Hanner-DOPP/OEND
Patrick Miller-Faith based initiative
Naomi Fulton-RCORP
Dan Hutchinson-Chestnut Supervisor

Via Zoom:

Alice Fitzsimmons-Lost & Found
Nellie Baity-TAC
Julie Pohlmann-Region 4 TA
Andrea Patterson-Brightpoint
Liz McQuaid-DOPP/OEND Supervisor
Amanda Zinkgraf-Advisory Board CRSS
Jamie Armstrong-AMARE
Danielle Voekel-Chestnut
Liesl Wingert-Southern Illinois School of Medicine
Beverly Holland-Region 5 TA

2. Review Old Business

- *Completed Resource List-These are ready. They are much more extensive than the old ones and we are working on distributing them. We have printed ones available at the meeting or we can drop them off to you. These are attached to the Minutes.
- **NEW Meeting cards are in. They list ALL of the meetings available in Bond County by day of the week. Please take some with you to share. If you need them dropped off, please let us know.

3. Presentation-SUMMER we have had:

-Fourth Fest-Great crowd. We had a lot of people stop at the booth and hear about the work of the Bond county Recovery Council. Once again the button maker for kids was a huge draw. Dusty Hanner joined us and gave away over 30 Narcan Rescue Kits. We had a lot of people for our Advisory Board work during the 2 day event.

-Saturday, July 13th Pocahontas Firemans Picnic Parade. We had a great time. Lots of people cheering for the Council as we passed by. We have become recognizable now. We had candy donated to throw and the crowd loved the stress balls we were throwing. We had great music on the float and people in the crowds were singing along as we passed. We also handed out a lot of the BCRC information cards to people.

-Tuesday, August 6th Bond County Fair. Once again we had a great time. HUGE crowd on a beautiful evening. Our homemade float won a 3rd place ribbon. We came up with some more great ideas for decorating our float for next year. We had several groups of people cheering as we passed by. We handed out a lot of candy, stress balls, and information cards. Dusty from DOPP/OEND also had beach balls and fans to hand out. We had a really great group from the Advisory Board and friends of the Council who walked and rode with us.

-Stigma Group had a "Pastor Appreciation Brunch"-Tues., August 6th at 10am. -this was a really great event. We served brunch following the monthly Ministerial Alliance meeting and then followed by a presentation. HUGE THANK YOU TO HSHS IN GREENVILLE WHO DONATED THE CATERED FOOD!!!!!!!!! Toni presented on the work the BCRC is doing. Patrick talked about the faith based initiative. Dusty shared about Narcan. Kelly Jefferson talked about the work NAMI is doing. Monique shared a poem and how all of us could work together. We had a lot of positive feedback from this.

-Back to School Event-BCRC had a table at this event that was giving away backpack filled with back to school supplies. Monique and 2 members of the Advisory Board worked at this event. They gave away about 20 Narcan Rescue kits. They had the button maker which kids always love to do. They got to talk to a lot of parents about the work of the BCRC.

-Southwestern Electric Safety Day-Toni & Dusty had a booth there. They gave away over 60 boxes of Narcan. They shared about the work of the Council and had several people who had organizations they thought should be trained on Narcan. Huge interest by attendees in the work that was being done. Another beautiful day doing outreach

4. Strategic Plan Work Group Updates:

-RCO Development-meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 2-3pm via ZOOM. We are looking for a few more people to join this group. We are currently looking at RCO's and how that might look in Bond County. Right now we are working with the Next Network in Litchfield about a possible expansion. Rebecca Klitze, Gene Dunkley, Kelly Jefferson, Patrick Miller, Shane Pinnell, Jon Magnuson, Amanda Zinkgraf, Lauren Davidson, Rev Bilyeu, Dusty Hanner, Monique Brunious & Toni Randall. Next meeting will be September 10th. Would anyone like to be added to the group? Please just email me and let me know.

-Transportation-2:30-3:30pm, meet via Zoom on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We are looking for new ways to help with transportation problems in the rural community. Melissa Marti, Michelle Miller, Jennifer Noel, Patrice White, Monique Brunious & Toni Randall. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20th. Would anyone like to be added to the group? Please just email me and let me know.

-Stigma-2-3pm, meet at Lost & Found in Greenville on the 4th Tuesday of each month. We are looking for projects to do within the community that will help to reduce Stigma. We just finished holding the Pastor Recognition Brunch. Alice Fitzsimmons, Rebecca Klitze, Kelly Jefferson, Patrick Miller, Dusty Hanner, Amanda Zinkgraff, Monique Brunious & Toni Randall. Next meeting August 27th. Would anyone like to be added to the group? Please email me and let me know.

5. New Business

-Red Ribbon Week Work Group-anyone like to join. Going to be setting up a screening of "Screenagers-Under the Influence". This would be a parent evening event. Looking for a location. The school will not let us do it there. Suggestions? Several ideas were suggested-Possibly a church or at Prairie Counseling Center. It was suggested that we could do an outside event, but it will be the end of October. We could possibly ask about the SMART Center. Great suggestion of having it at the University. We could then invite college students. We hope to make this an event that teachers can get CEU's for.

-Last Parade that we will be walking in this yet this year: Keyesport Halloween Parade October 26th during the day. We will need more candy donations for this event.

-Overdose Awareness-will be held on the court house lawn again this year. We need help from lots of organizations. I have been reaching out individually to ask for help. Below are who I have heard back from. It will be on Saturday, August 31st from 6-9pm. I have attached the flyer for the event

Organization	Contact	Sent	Response
HSHS-Greenville	Teresa	Х	YES-bringing chips
Lost & Found	Alice	Х	YES-bottled water
Celebrate Recovery	Shane	Х	YES-dirty dogs
Eden's Glory	Annie- annie@edensglory.org	Х	YES
Jubilee House		Х	Haven't heard back from
Law Enforcement		Х	YES-bringing soda, we need co
MERS Goodwill	Tonya Roberts	Х	YES
NARCAN	Dusty	Х	YES

Light House	Contacted online	X	Haven't heard back from
Churches		Х	Invited at Pastor Appreciation
Core Communities	Sandy Bellegante	Х	YES
NAMI	Kelly		Trying to find someone
Birth to 5 Program	Amy Robinson	Х	YES
Women's Alliance	Joellen Vohlken	Х	Haven't heard back from

Organization	Email Addy	Sent	Response
Gateway Treatment	Clint Hamel	Х	YES-will be speaking
Simple Room	Laura Sttine	Х	YES
Prairie Counseling Center	Michelle Miller	Х	YES-photo booth & Cookies
Kaskaskia College	Sandi Laurent	Х	YES
BJC Stabilization Unit	Sheena Langhauser	Х	Waiting to hear
AMARE	Jamie Armstrong	Х	YES
Next Network	Amanda Checking		
Haven House	Amanda Checking		
Crossover Ministries	Amanda Checking		
St Francis Way	Amanda Checking		
Greenville University	Dusty Checking		
Volunteer Fire Dept	Amanda Checking		
Bright Point	Andrea Patterson	Х	Waiting to hear
Fayette County Therapy Dogs	Beth Hoffmann-618-267-2754		

- -September is Recovery Month
- *Sunday, September 8th, "Day of Prayer"-working on prayer requests to share with the churches or this day.
- *Saturday, September 14th "Recovery Picnic"-we will be asking for food donations for this event.
- *Saturday, September 21st "Game Night"-hoping to get a lot of people involved in this evening.
- *Saturday, September 28th "Rock'n for Recovery" going as a group-Free Methodist has let us use their bus. Patrick has volunteered to drive and Celebrate Recovery has offered to cover the cost of gas to Bethalto Park and back. We have seating for 21 people. Please contact Monique to reserve your seat.

6. Update from any Groups & Organizations

- -Bright Point shared about their programs
- -Lost and Found updated on things continuing the same. They are waiting for God to Send someone to replace Chris. Women's group is back to meeting.
- -Patrick continues to educate the faith community and help with congregation certification
- -Liz shared about 2 Pride parades coming up.

7. General Reminders

- -Advisory Board for People with Lived Experience. In 2024 we will be meeting every month on the first Wednesday of the month from 7pm-8:30pm. We meet at Senior Center for now. Free drinks & \$20 GC for attending & contributing. Next meeting September 4th at 7pm-8:30pm. Flyer attached that has this and next 2 items on one flyer
- -The Advisory Board will also be hosting Family Game night on the 3rd Saturday night of the month from 6-9pm at the Senior Center. Next Family Game Night is September 21st. We will take a break in June, July & August because of parades and other activities.
- -Bond County Transit Program- Transit bus will take people to Vandalia on Tuesday (Walmart & Aldi) and Highland on Thursday (Walmart & Ruler) to more stores than what is in Greenville. It is a flat rate of \$10 to be picked up at your house and taken back after the trip. 15 bags of groceries allowed. Call Bond County Transit the day before to set up ride. Recovery council now has vouchers for those in the Recovery Community who do service work. They are also working on a route to Edwardsville in the future.
- -AMARE Family Support, Jamie Armstrong Certified Recovery Coach. She can connect people to several groups & support networks. She works in St Clair, Madison, Christian & Jersey. She can work with families from Bond County virtually. For more information reach out to her at Jaime Armstrong jarmstrong@amarenfp.org

- -SMART Recovery-Prairie Counseling Center, Tuesdays 6pm & Wednesday 10am. Need verification on this. I believe they may have changed this to just once a week?
- -REFLECTIONS-Prairie Counseling Center, 1st Wednesday of the month at 10am.
- -HEALERS group meets on the $2^{nd} \& 4^{th}$ Saturday of the month at the Senior Center at llam.. Getting a lot of positive feedback on this meeting. Monique is doing a great job. Please share about this with anyone you know.
- 8. FREE Virtual Narcan Training each month by Chestnut. For more information email SR-NARCAN@chestnut.org. The Recovery Council also has FREE Narcan for anyone who needs it.

Future Meeting Dates for 2024:

September 11, 2024 November 13, 2024

October 9, 2024 December 11, 2024

BCRC Vision: Working together to build and maintain safer and healthier communities of recovery and hope.

BCRC Mission: To empower the Bond County communities to support prevention and recovery through awareness, policy, education, stigma reduction and access to quality services.