

Minutes

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Attendance and Introductions

Chestnut Health Systems Region TA, Julie Pohlman  
Coles County ROSC Recovery Navigator, Whitley Grayson  
Coles County ROSC Coordinator, Dana Tell  
Coles County ROSC Recovery Navigator, Jasmine Gast  
Douglas County ROSC Coordinator, Lisa Blackwell  
Wingman Ministries, Gary Stephen  
Community Member- Brendon Hartley  
HH CORS Navigator- Brandy Schlanser  
HH BASE Navigator – Teri Moore – Zoom  
BASE Supervisor- Ambrosia Roberts - Zoom  
Douglas County ROSC Coordinator, Lisa Blackwell  
Moultrie/Shelby ROSC Coordinator, Skylar Miller  
IL Faith Collaborative- Patrick Miller  
Community Recovery Technical Assistance Specialist Region 4, Julie Pohlman  
IDHS/SUPR/ ROSC Statewide- Johanna Gonzales- Zoom  
SAIL Center for Independent Living, Brenda Ingle – Zoom  
SAIL Center for Independent Living, Carlee Parks- Zoom  
SIU School of Medicine- Liesl Wingert- Zoom  
Veteran Affairs- Amber Clark- Zoom  
Gateway Foundation- Alexis Morton - Zoom  
Gateway Foundation- Roberta Hinman- Zoom  
Gateway Foundation- Carrie McKinzie- Zoom  
Prevail IL- Kim White- Zoom  
HOPE- Camille Gordon – Zoom  
Oxford House- Brycen McFadden- Zoom  
West Central IL ROSC, Jeff McFadden – Zoom  
Vermillion Co ROSC, Wendy Lambert – Zoom  
Teri Moore, Circle of Care – Zoom  
DRS, Adam Flack- Zoom  
Family Guidance Center, Kristin Davis – Zoom  
HSHF, Jen Hurt – Zoom  
Emily- Zoom  
Heather- Zoom

## **Liz – Zoom**

### **Welcome and Introductions:**

Dana thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She noted that it is noon. As a council we decided that we will try to stay on schedule because our council recognized we partnered with the LifeSpan Center to hold our meetings here because transportation in Coles County is an issue so that anyone wishing to attend can use the Zipline to get here. We will wrap up the meeting before 1pm so that anyone riding the Zipline can be downstairs to catch the bus by 1pm and get to their original bus stop before 2pm.

Dana asked Whitley to call on people in the zoom portion to introduce themselves first. Everyone introduced themselves and then we went around the room with introductions.

### **Minutes and Agenda Approval:**

Dana asked the Council to look at the minutes from November. Whitley put them on the screen for those attending by Zoom. Dana asked for a motion to approve November Minutes. Brenda motioned and Brenda seconded. Dana asked for a motion to approve December's Agenda. Brenda motioned and Gary seconded.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Dana explained to the council that the council had decided that they wanted to hear from a person with lived experience at each meeting. These stories offer hope, remind us why we are here and help us to stay focused on filling in the gaps in our community. Whitley schedules the guest speaker each month so Dana asked Whitley if we have a speaker for this meeting. Whitley then introduced Brandy. Brandy gave her story that was full of hope, strength and encouragement.

### **Navigator News:**

**Jail & Probation Update-** Whitley informed the Council that she has been able to do more with drug court and has been transitioning to full time drug court. Jasmine has been hired for the part time Coles County ROSC Navigator and will continue the groups at HOPE, Jail and the Libraries in Mattoon and Charleston.

### **Staff Changes:**

Whitley continued to explain that she is transitioning to Drug Court Recovery Navigator. Jasmine is the new Coles County Recovery Navigator. Dana Thanked Whitley for serving as the Coles County ROSC Navigator for the last year and a half. Dana explained that this would also be her last ROSC Council meeting as she will be taking a different job with a different company in 2 weeks.

### **Goal Status:**

**Facebook-** Dana shared that the Facebook status is still Excellent, with 243 likes and 467 followers. She thanked everyone for liking, sharing and reacting to the posts that are on the page. **Delivery of Survey-** Dana informed everyone that we have had 180 surveys filled out and we are trying to get to 2,303 surveys. Dana encouraged everyone to share it and mentioned that we had small and large papers with QR codes.

**Certified Recovery Congregation-** Dana offered Patrick to speak about the Certified Recovery Congregation program. He shared about the program. The council seemed interested in taking this goal on and offering it up to churches and faith-based organizations. Dana shared with the council that we will be meeting on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 10:30 and have invited all the local Pastors. Dana asked Council members to invite local Pastors.

**Drug Court Project-** Dana explained that some participants on Drug Court participants are collecting stuffed animals for DCFS when they show up to take children from the situation and into foster care.

**Homeless Bags-** Dana shared that we have collected calendars, Toothbrush, toothpaste and floss. We have locks and koozies. We have CORD cards that explain about the area wide online directory. We also have misc. items that we will be putting in bags.

**Disbursing the upcoming survey-** Dana asked for ideas on how we can disburse the Survey required for our deliverable. Whitley read the Effingham Survey as an example of what our survey may look like. Bonnie suggested CEFS if available in Coles County, the County Board Meeting, and therapist offices. Julie suggest Birth to Three program, and to offer paper forms and QR Codes so people can fill them out online. Whitley said Health Departments, Mental Health Departments, and walk in clinics. Jenna brought up talking about milk and honey who may allow customers to fill out the surveys and turn it in to them to get a free something as an incentive to filling out the survey. Council continued talking about how supportive Milk and Honey is to those in recovery. Dana wrapped up the conversation by saying there were several places that were mentioned but she would need help in getting all these places on board. Dani suggested a master list that shows who is talking to who so that others know who they can approach about the survey.

#### **Activity Updates:**

**Safe Passage** – Charleston Police Department and Mattoon Safe Passage Program is continuing to operate.

**Deflection Program-** Has launched and is operating in Coles County.

**Narcan training-** Dana mentioned that we can still offer training in Coles County but have nothing planned at this time.

**Narcan Distribution sites-** We have 70 sites in Coles County. We continue to look for more places available to display Narcan, Fentanyl test strips, Xylazine Test Strips, and Detera Bags. Most of our sites have all of these. Most of these locations also display our monthly newsletters.

#### **Past Events:**

**November 7<sup>th</sup> was Drug Court Graduation-** Dana said that she attended the graduation on November 7<sup>th</sup> and gave a gift bag to each graduate.

#### **Upcoming events:**

**Certified Recovery Congregation**—Dana reiterated that this is next week.

**Community Meetings-** Dana mentioned the other community meetings. She encouraged others to attend the Interagency Meeting led by Ky Newsome who is looking for a new facilitator, and the Citizens Against Child Abuse by Kim White, and the Wellness Collaboration by Laura Bollan. Kim was on the meeting so Dana asked her if she wanted to share about the meeting. She shared about the meeting, the membership cost, and all the great things they are able to do in the community.

**Next Meeting:**

Time and Meeting Location: Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 6th at noon at lifespan center or by Zoom at the same time.

<https://zoom.us/j/96781724024?pwd=b3hFWdV1cExYa0pEa1BqTUx6ejJLUT09>

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