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## **SPECIAL ALCOHOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

### **HARMON ROOM**

**1101 Poyntz Avenue**

**Manhattan, KS 66502**

**April 6, 2016**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Meagan Cramer, Lora Boyer, Gabrielle Thompson, Millie Schroeder (arrived at 6:20pm), Liz Krieger (arrived at 6:28pm)

**Members Absent:** Nancy Brown (excused)

**Staff Present:** Courtney Kramer, Financial Analyst

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** Courtney called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm.

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

### **4. APPROVE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 3**

Once quorum was established with the arrival of Liz at 6:28pm, the committee reviewed the draft minutes from the February 3, 2016 meeting. Lora moved to approve the minutes from February 3rd, and Liz seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved as filed.

### **5. DISCUSS SPRING SITE VISITS**

Gabrielle provided a synopsis of the site visit report for MARPC. MARPC's federal grant money has run out, so they are currently searching for alternate funding sources. If they do not find additional grant monies, then Melissa (director) cannot stay in her position. This year, they will be targeting Country Stampede as a large community event that involves alcohol to promote the consequences and dangers of underage drinking. Currently, MARPC is doing sticker shock, radio commercials, and are sponsoring an after-prom party at the Community House. MARPC also plans to begin coordinating with MAAD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) and SAAD (Students Against Drunk Driving), and we should know more about these efforts in August.

Lora provided a synopsis on the Friends of Recovery Association. Lora and Gabrielle visited the Oxford House Manhattan (in the Northview area; home is currently open to men). Lora stated that any drug or

alcohol infraction results in removal from the house. Three (3) men have already left the house. Lora was not sure whether they left on their own or fell back into substance abuse. The committee will inquire about this during the public hearings. When Friends of Recovery submitted their 2016 funding application, they planned for the program coordinator to be part-time. This position has actually turned into full-time with the coordinator (Wendy) managing multiple Oxford Houses' in the region. The house is currently not at maximum occupancy, but Lora stated it may take time for the program to become well-known in the area.

## **6. REVIEW 2017 APPLICATIONS**

Courtney handed out binders of the applications to all committee members and stated that there are two (2) new applicants this year: Circles Manhattan and Pawnee Mental Health: **Crisis Services**. The committee inquired about the difference between the Crisis Services division and Therapy Services, who have received funding in the past. Courtney shared an e-mail from Jeremy Boyle, Crisis Services Director, that states why Pawnee broke out their funding request between these two divisions.

Courtney asked the committee to please review the applications prior to the first public hearing on Wednesday May 4th, and to e-mail her with any questions or comments.

## **7. REVIEW PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE**

The committee reviewed the public hearing schedule. Since there are two (2) new applicants, an extra time slot had to be created for Wednesday May 4th and Thursday May 5th from 8:30-9:00. Courtney gave the committee the option to meet earlier and push the time slots up, or leave the schedule as presented with the 8:30-9:00 hearing time. The committee decided to leave the public hearing schedule as presented. Courtney will send the public hearing schedule to all agencies.

Dinner will be provided for the committee on public hearing dates.

## **8. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm.

The first Public Hearing/next meeting for the Special Alcohol Funds Advisory Committee is scheduled for Wednesday May 4, 2016.

*Respectfully Submitted by Courtney Kramer*