

**MARION COUNTY
ALCOHOL & DRUG PLANNING COMMITTEE
2421 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem**

**Date: April 24, 2008
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Ray Wilson, Archie Brown, Trish Davis, Hope Sugun, Mark Caillier, Gary Heard, Michelle Duchateau, Sue Blayre, and NaLean Clinton

Staff: Rod Calkins, Bonnie Malek and Doris Reyes

Guest: Judge Abernathy and Jay Arzadon

Call to Order: Archie Brown called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

Announcements:

No announcements

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Minutes were approved with no changes

1st Mark

2nd Ray

All agreed

Review and Discussion:

- Barrier Busters-Coordination of Efforts
 - Scheduling work group sessions to propose increased residential capacity
 - Presentation to the Board of Commissioners-developing a work group and presentation
- ❖ Judge Abernathy gave a brief overview and background of the Barrier Busters group and what their priorities and goals are. They officially started in May 2006 when there were 1200 abuse and neglect cases in Marion County, many of them due to methamphetamines. Judge Abernathy is seeing meth-affected families in her court at least twice a week and 1/3 of the children are under the age of three. In her experience, the longer the children are separated from their moms the harder it is for them to form a bonding relationship thus making it hard for the children to bond with people when they get older. Her goal is to get the moms help and to return the children to their mothers as soon as possible. Judge Abernathy would like to see “Her Place” residential capacity expanded as they have a solid track record with positive outcomes and the residential milieu allows her to return the children more quickly.
- ❖ The Barrier Busters group would like the support of the Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee in expanding residential capacity.

- ❖ Judge Abernathy believes that community members would pull together to purchase a house and cover some of the start up expenses. The primary problem is sustainable operating resources.
- ❖ Based on the work of the committee with the stabilization house proposal, Trish stated that it would cost approximately \$300,000 per year to maintain this type of housing.
- ❖ Judge Abernathy would like to participate with an LADPC subcommittee on this project.
- ❖ Mark proposed the formation of a subcommittee to look at the possibilities and costs of development and long-term sustainability.
- ❖ Ray seconded the subcommittee proposal and suggested that the committee bring back information to the LADPC meetings in May and June.
- ❖ People that volunteered to be on the sub committee included: Trish, Mark, Sue, Bonnie, Jay, Rod and Ray.

Review and Discussion: (see handout)

- Detoxification Protocol
- ❖ Mark is still meeting with people and will be ready to report at the May meeting.

Planning and Discussion

- Open seats on the LADPC-Recruiting
- Jay Arzanon-Introductions and voting
- ❖ Jay gave a brief overview of her experience and interest in the LADPC.
- ❖ Archie proposed accepting Jay as a member of the LADPC
- Mark 1st
- Sue 2nd
- All agreed

Planning and Discussion

- Planning the May agenda
- Identifying tasks to be completed before the committee adjourns for the summer-scheduling
- ❖ Rod and Bonnie will work on identifying possible funding sources for the expansion of residential capacity and whether any existing monies could be reallocated without compromising existing services.
- ❖ Archie will check availability of the Fresh Start conference room for the May and June meetings.

The next meetings are scheduled for May 22 and June 26, 2008

Archie adjourned the meeting at 9:30 am
Minutes by: Doris Reyes