



Southern Bluegrass
January 5, 2018
11:30am-1:00pm
Meeting Summary

Meeting Attendees- Jennifer Brown, Brian Dufresne, Carla Jordan (Chair), Ian “Nick” Marks, Sabina Massey, Verne Webb, Rachael Ratliff, LaToya Vaughn, and Lawrence Weathers (guest)

Absent Panel Members- Lisa Gabbard, Robert “Nimbo” Hammons and Larry Johnson.

Introductions/Greetings-

Members introduced themselves and welcomed Chief Weathers of Fayette County Public Schools Law Enforcement to the meeting.

During this fiscal year the Southern Bluegrass CRP will focus on two areas

Work Focus #1: Educate community about services & resources that aid in decrease of abuse and neglect (Promote DCBS in healthy manner)

1. Conversation on Collaboration- 4/27/18
2. Opioid Addiction – Narcan Training (held on 12/6/17)
3. Handle with Care Pilot Project-ongoing

Work Focus #2: Increase employee morale and retention rates

1. Provide educational activities on self-care (mindfulness).
2. DCBS Employee Recognitions.

Upcoming Projects

Handle with Care.

- Handle with Care provides the school with a “heads up” when a child has been identified by law enforcement at the scene of a traumatic event.
- Sabina Massey and Chief Weathers announced that the Handle with Care Project will be rolled out to all Fayette County Public Schools. They have connected with the Handle with Care Team (Lt. Napier and Andrea Darr) in West Virginia who has agreed to provide technical expertise for the project in Fayette County. They have also agreed to attend the leadership team meeting that will be held in February to develop policies and discuss how the plan will be implemented. Fayette County Public School Administrators, Fayette County Public School Law Enforcement Officers, Fayette County Police and other community partners will be invited to the meeting. A community directory is needed in order to help facilitate a smooth transition for the program. It was discussed that Commissioner Ford and Laura Hatfield

be contacted and invited to the Panel meetings to be included in the Handle with Care Project.

Annual Conversation on Collaboration

- Conversation on Collaboration will take place on April 27, 2017 @ Fayette County Extension Office from 8:30am-12:00pm.
- Save the Date Cards were sent.
- Panel Members are asked to help identify a speaker. Thus far, Jeff Wilson, Paul Dalton, Sherryl Roberts, and Amber Lambert should be considered. Carla will contact Paul Dalton to invite him to speak.
- The Topic for this upcoming year is on issues surrounding Addiction and Treatment.
- It was discussed that the following be discussed:
 - Trends, Signs, symptoms and treatments- From Provider.
 - “How to talk to youth about drugs” or “Drug Awareness” Chief Lawrence Weathers Fayette County or Kentucky State Trooper Robert Purdy.
 - Impact/Success Story from a Start Worker or Participant
 - What we can do to help. Tina (Free Lex) Narcan Trainer, Police officer and others.
- CHFS Worker Recognition: Panel members were previously asked to solicit donations for monthly employee recognitions. Members were asked to secure items such as office supplies, gift cards for food, gas, movies and other non-cash items. Since Commissioner Johnson has implemented a monthly employee recognition we will not duplicate services. Instead we will recognize 12 workers annually at the Conversation on Collaboration.
- Deputy Commissioner Joe Hamilton should be invited to the meeting to present the awards.

Provide Educational Activities on Self-Care (Mindfulness).

- The YouTube Channel has been created and made public. It is currently listed as [Southern Region CRP](#). However we are seeking to have it renamed Southern Bluegrass Region CRP. Please share on your social media. The page provides videos for stress reduction, self-care and mindfulness and mediation that could be done relatively quickly at one's desk.

Action Items:

- Carla and Rachel will send the invitation to Deputy Commissioner Joe Hamilton
- Carla contact Chief Weathers for COC Speaker on “How to talk to youth about drugs” or “Drug Awareness”
- All members solicit worker recognition donations
- Identify and secure Speakers for Conversation on Collaboration. Carla will contact Paul Dalton and Chief Weathers.
- Submit resources to be included in Community Directory

Next Meeting February 2, 2018, 1500 Bull Lea Road, Lexington, KY 40511