

**Meramec Regional Planning Commission  
Meramec Region's Opioid Affected Youth Initiative  
Consortium Meeting 9  
Thursday, December 10, 2020 at 2:00 PM  
Zoom Conference Call**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Shyanne Anthony (Great Circle), Charlotte Bellsmith (Osage County Anti-Drug Community Action Team), Dr. Casey Burton (Phelps Health), Jessica Butery (Crawford County Correctional Nurse), Cyndi D'Onofrio (Gasconade and Osage Juvenile Office), Mary Heywood (Mid-Ozark CASA), Jim Fleming (City of St. James), Jamie Myers (Prevention Consultants of Missouri), Teresa Norton (Citizen of the region), Elizabeth Satterfield (Children's Division), Stephanie Schindler (University of Missouri Extension), Dr. Sean Seibert (Invent Yourself), Beverly Williams (Washington County Memorial Hospital)

**MRPC Project Staff Present:** Christa Harmon, Jane Johannsen, Rebecca Losing

**Welcome:** Project Coordinator, Jane Johannsen, welcomed all attendees at 2:02 PM.

**September 23, 2020 Minutes:** Jane Johannsen notified the attendees of a correction for the September 23, 2020 meeting minutes; Laura Powell (Compass Health Network) represents Osage and Pulaski Counties of the Meramec Region. The minutes previously included Phelps County representation.

Dr. Sean Seibert (Invent Yourself) motioned to approve the September 23, 2020 minutes. Stephanie Schindler (University of Missouri Extension) seconded the motion.

**Partner Updates:** There were no partner updates shared.

**OAYI Project Updates:**

- I. Too Good for Drugs -** Jamie Myers (Prevention Consultants of Missouri) updated the consortium on the status of the Too Good for Drugs (TGFD) program. In addition to OAYI funds, TGFD is supported by MRPC's Rural Opioid Program (HRSA) and Drug Free Communities (CDC). During the 2020 fall semester, OAYI funds have supported the TGFD program in the Potosi and Cuba middle schools. The program is a 10-session, evidence-based marijuana, opioid, opiate, alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use prevention curriculum for students in K-12.
- II. Community Conversations on Stigma of Opioid Use, Misuse, and Recovery –** Dr. Sean Seibert (Invent Yourself) updated the consortium on the status of the Community

Conversations. The first of a series of eight conversations is scheduled for Crawford County at the Cuba High School on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 10:30 AM. The conversation will be led by approximately four high school students, with law enforcement and MRPC project staff in attendance. An observational debrief by Dr. Seibert and MRPC project staff will be provided to the consortium.

- III. Meramec Region's Opioid Affected Youth Initiative Website** – Jane Johannsen reminded the consortium of the newly launched website and its contents, including the Stories from our Region – the Opioid Epidemic. Ms. Johannsen requested the consortium refer to the website for updates and new videos. The second video is anticipated to be finalized before the 2021 New Year.
- IV. Seeking Safety** – Jane Johannsen, Rebecca Losing, and Christa Harmon updated the consortium of the status of the Seeking Safety program. The program is tentatively scheduled to begin implementation in January 2021 in partnership with the 25<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. More information to come once implementation date has been determined.
- V. OAYI Committees** – Consortium committees including youth engagement, data research/program evaluation, and community outreach and support have/will begin to meet on a regular basis throughout the implementation phase.
- VI. Opioid Misuse and Trauma, Dr. Stanislaus of Missouri Department of Mental Health** – the webinar recording and presentation are available for distribution from the Thursday, December 3, 2020 presentation hosted by MRPC's Rural Opioid Program (HRSA).

**Comments/Questions:** There were no comments or questions posed by the attendees.

**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, January 14, 2021, 2 PM via Zoom.

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**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.