

	APPROVED MINUTES Opioid Task Force WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. <i>Health and Human Services Community Room</i> 303 W. Chapel Street.; Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Iowa County Wisconsin
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1	Chairman Davis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2	<u>Roll Call and Introduction of New Task Force Members:</u> Members Present in Community Room: Chairperson Joan Davis, Brad Stevens, Justin O'Brien, Sheriff Michael Peterson, Jesse Brogley, Miranda Magnuson, Chris Frakes, Levi Zimmerman, Deputy Richard Severson, Dr. Rachel Hartline Members Present Remotely: Justinn Jenkins Members Excused: Holly Knapp Others Present in Community Room: Nikki Mumm, Bruce Paull, Sheryl Brokopp, Barry Hottmann
3	<u>Approval of the April 12, 2023 Agenda:</u> Motion by Stevens and seconded by O'Brien to accept the agenda. Aye: 11; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	<u>Approval of the March 1, 2023 and January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes:</u> Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Peterson to accept the minutes Aye: 11; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	<u>Reports From Task Force Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the Task Force. No action will be taken.</u> <u>Sheriff Peterson-</u> He spoke about the upcoming Tony Hoffman presentation and emphasized the time and funding that was put into the project. The funding was provided by Social Services, Unified Community Services, Kiwanis, and County of Iowa Opioid Settlement Funds. The County should take pride in hosting a prevention program of this magnitude. This presentation will serve all County high school students and staff as well as community members. There will be multiple vendors with resources before and after the community presentation. Multiple counties have reached out and plan to attend the community presentation. This has created great momentum that needs to continue.
6	<u>Committee Chair Report:</u> Davis shared that she and Sheriff Peterson asked County Administrator Larry Bierke to utilize \$2,000.00 of the Opioid Settlement Funds to pay for a portion of Tony Hoffman's presentation. She also let the task force know that there is about \$131,000.00 of the funds available at this time.
7	<u>Review Ideas for Opioid Support discussed at the last meeting, prioritizing them into long and short term.</u> Davis shared the details of the Resolution passed by the County Board and highlighted the tasks of the task force. She provided the task force with allowable expenses and the ideas compiled from the last meeting. The following ideas were discussed: • Whether counties in the region had talked about compiling resources to meet regional needs. There is a regional need for transportation and transitional housing. • The need for a local or regional treatment facility so people would not need to go to Dane County. • Opportunity House funding and expenses. • Unified Community Services is looking at purchasing two outdoor Narcan and Fentanyl test trip distribution vending machines. • The lack of affordable housing in the region, especially for those with criminal backgrounds, low or no credit, and minimal rental history. ○ Transitional housing could help clients develop credit and rental history. ○ Reaching out to Peter Brunzele, Wisconsin Association of Sober Housing, to look at sustainable options. ○ Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning is looking at revamping the housing study that was completed for Iowa County.

	• Youth prevention opportunities like DARE for middle schoolers exist but need to develop programming for high schoolers. ○ Could have community members in recovery speak to high school students. • Support for residents after completion of intervention steps to assist with relapse prevention is needed. • Revitalization of the Road to Recovery video. ○ Possible part two to show how those people have grown and changed since the taping. ○ Showing for the community with a panel to follow and showcasing the resources website. • Possible application process for non-profits to apply for use of the funds. ○ Have applicants explain how the funding will be impactful. • Transportation is another hurdle as most appointments and support systems are in Dodgeville, and it can be hard to get to them if a person lives in other communities and does not have a vehicle or license. • Lack of certified/licensed therapists and counselors. ○ Offering scholarships to students looking to get certified in mental health and AODA counseling. • There are resources for those in recovery to help with costs associated with education like transportation, completion of financial aid (FAFSA) forms, etc. ○ Possible scholarships for children with parents in recovery as this is an unmet need.
8	<u>Develop a Plan to Share Ideas with the HHS Committee:</u> The task force is still working on the development of this plan as they would like to ensure that they are doing effective and impactful things and are also sustainable.
9	<u>Consider and Discuss Next Steps:</u> The task force will meet again to put together a list of priorities and possible uses of the funds within those priorities.
10	<u>Wednesday, May 24, 2023:</u> Approved for the next Opioid Task Force meeting at 5:30 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville.
11	Motion by Brogley and seconded by Zimmerman to adjourn. Aye: 11, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.