

Minutes

Cowley College

Drug and Alcohol Task Force

December 12, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Attending: Ashley Demaree, Kristi Shaw, Jason O'Toole, Landon West, Jenette Hanna, Shane Larson, Matt Stone, Lea Newman

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the May 4, 2016 meeting were approved as submitted.

Update on Alcohol EDU: Both Haven and Alcohol EDU have really taken off this semester. It was added to the First Year Experience (FYE) curriculum this fall but there was some confusion. Some teachers started it at the beginning of the eight weeks so that it could be completed properly, other teachers started it late so follow up with the second portion was difficult, and some teachers did not require the course. Jason reported that 472 students registered and about 78% completed. As for Haven, only about 32% of students completed the second portion and almost 50% completed the first portion. Jason plans to educate the FYE teachers more about the program in hopes for a better turn out next year. As far as the results on the second part of Haven and Alcohol EDU, it looks like the students are responding that they have made more educated decisions and/or changed their habits. Jason spoke with Jenette about possibly having staff members complete the training as well. Jason will get with Jenette to discuss this further. Twenty five students registered this semester for Alcohol EDU for Sanctions and 22 students have completed. Those that still need to finish are waiting for their 30 days in order to complete the second part. Jason and Landon have had to work to track down some of the students in order to ensure they get it completed. We have a new representative assigned for these programs. Jim Brown and Lea Newman are planning to set up a conference call to discuss the program and prevention with the representative. It was concluded that both Haven and Alcohol EDU are good programs and a great resource for our campus.

Area Updates:

Landon reported that there is usually an increase in drug and alcohol incidents in the fall due to the new students testing their limits. There have been more alcohol use incidents than anything else. There have been a few marijuana reports that have led to tickets and legal issues. Citations are as follows:

Alcohol Related Incident –

10/9 – 5

10/11 – 1

10/12 – 1

10/20 – 2

10/21 – 6

10/26 – 2

Total = 17

Drug Related Incident –
9/21 – 2 – Off- Campus
10/26 – 1 – Campus Parking lot
11/29 – 1 – Campus Parking lot

Total = 4

Jenette stated she does not have much to report but did state that EMPAC is a great resource that can be utilized by employees and anyone in their household. Jenette also stated that Ashley has some brochures as well to share with staff.

Shane reported that things are going pretty well so far this year. There have only been 2 athletes that have had positive results for marijuana when tested. One of those students has completed their session with Ashley and the other plans to this week. Those students have also tested negative when retested. There was also one athlete that was posting concerning things on social media which led to suspicion of drug use. When tested this athlete was negative for all substances and after talking with the athlete Shane stated he did not believe that there was a problem.

Matt reported that he thinks this semester had gone pretty well. Most of the incidents on campus involving alcohol are due to students having alcohol in their room or marijuana in their cars. He also said that the LiveSafe application has been helpful for students to make anonymous reports. Matt also informed the team of a new law that came into effect on July 1, 2016 regarding minors and requesting emergency help.

Lea Newman reported things in her area are going well. She has had parents requesting that their child has weekly drug testing that Lea agreed to administer. This has been something new for her. She is also seeking members for CAAT, at this time she only has 5 members.

Ashley reported that the students that have been getting tickets and coming to BASICS have been pretty positive about it and those that are issued tickets for alcohol are also required to complete Sanctions. There is a need for a program like BASICS that is geared more towards marijuana usage as there have been a few of those this semester and will probably continue to have a few each semester.

Kristi reported that she is preparing for homecoming at this time and that voting will end tomorrow.

Biennial Review: Ashley will review the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program, make any changes deemed necessary and send out to the rest of the team for additions/approvals by the end of this week.

Next Meeting: TBD-Ashley will coordinate a date in March 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Demaree

Chair – Cowley County Drug and Alcohol Task Force