



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes - Final

Substance Abuse Advisory Commission

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

12:00 PM

Regular

Department of Public
Health and Human
Services, Conference
Room 1, 1005 W.
Worley St.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Lindner called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Present: 5 - Molly Lindner, Gary Smith, Jennifer Roelands, Steven Chaffin and Christy Hutton

Excused: 3 - Danielle Mondloch, Anne Eisenbeis and Bradford Noble

Absent: 2 - Michelle Baumstark and Blake Willoughby

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Hutton moved to approve the agenda. Smith seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Smith moved to approve the February 12, 2020 draft meeting minutes. Chaffin seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous vote

Attachments: [2-11-20 meeting minutes \(draft\)](#)

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Alcohol Policy- Hollis and Linder stated they had no further updates to provide.

B. Opioids- Hollis and Perkins had no updates.

C. Medical Marijuana

Finley stated the State had approved five dispensaries within the city limits of Columbia, four of which had applied for a business license so far. Those applications go to the Police, Fire, and Community Development departments before they can be approved through finance. She continued that all persons applying must have a background check completed. Should anyone fail the background check they have the right to appeal to the Medical Marijuana Review Board. Smith asked if there would be any possibility of finance not issuing licenses due to appeals going on at the State level. Finley does not foresee that happening as the State had to approve the licenses before any of the businesses could apply. She continued that they were only allowed to issue seven licenses total per city ordinance (one per 20,000 population). Smith asked if there were any current efforts to sell those licenses. Finley stated if there was any change in ownership the new owners would still have to go through the same licensing process. Finley provided a copy of the ordinance to the commission. Shikles stated there is a second reading in Senate Committee for Bill 829 that would prohibit licensees from selling medical marijuana and nicotine together. There is also another senate bill that would prohibit the sale of edibles that could be appealing to minors, such as lollipops and candies that resemble cartoon characters.

D. Vaping

Shikles introduced Sears and gave a brief overview of how tobacco enforcement works. Sears stated she has a group of three youth buyers that have been testing the ordinance since February. Shikles stated prior to the checks, Sears had sent out letters stating that they will be doing enforcement and Shikles herself went and spoke to tobacco retailers. Lindner asked what would happen if a retailer violates the ordinance. Sears stated she would present the retailer with the violation and forward the information along to the prosecuting attorney. Hollis asked if the violation went to the individual or the retailer. Shikles stated that retailers would be responsible for paying the fines and they could range anywhere from \$200 to \$1,000. Shikles added they are doing the STARS assessment to figure out what the retail environment looks like. Hollis asked what would trigger license revocation by the business office. Shikles stated it would be multiple offenses.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Attachments: [draft with state language and mark ups 1-21-20sc \(3\)](#)

A. Draft Medical Marijuana Ordinance

Shikles stated that they are reviewing the ordinance with a strictly public health perspective. The goal is to protect vulnerable populations. She continued that they researched other jurisdictions around the country to determine public health best practices. Key themes included positive identification required, no on sight or public consumption, no consumption of alcohol, no misleading product names that could cause the public to think they are consuming something else, no advertising without a license, the products are not packaged in a way that are appealing to minors, the products do not contain characterizing flavors (some have also included chemicals and additives), no claims of health benefits, no infused beverages, no edibles that look like commercially produced food, some limit the variation of edibles, some limit the packaging to 10 mg serving, warning labels and childproof packaging. She continued there will be warning signs in the facilities and the warning language included is from Canada (see attachment). PHHS is defining marijuana as food so Environmental Health can go in and inspect. Hollis stated that the Commission could simply accept this as information or express their support to Council for the proposed ordinance amendments, which will take two council readings. Chaffin would prefer to review this at the next meeting and would like to see everything that legal reviewed. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

VI. REPORTS

A. ADAPT--Hutton stated they are still in the process of reorganizing and should be done by June. She continued they were able to hold a vaping focus group and were provided feedback on how to move forward. They continue to work on distribution of NARCAN on campus.

B. Youth Community Coalition (YC2)--Rowe stated would will be a prescription drug take back on April 24 on the MU campus and at the VA and on April 25 at Hickman, Rockbridge, and out in the County. He continued that Hyvee also has a take-back program as well. Hutton stated there would be deterra bags provided at the MU prescription take back. Rowe stated they are continuing to do the "you card, we care" cards.

C. Columbia Public Schools—No one in attendance

D. Staff Report— Due to time, Hollis and Perkins had no staff update to give.

VII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

April 8, 2020

IX. ADJOURNMENT

12:58 p.m.