



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

Substance Abuse Advisory Commission

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

12:00 PM

Department of Public
Health and Human
Services, Community
Training Room, 1005
W.
Worley St.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Willoughby called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

Grim entered the meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Present: 8 - Gary Smith, Sarah Grim, Blake Willoughby, Danielle Mondloch, Jennifer Roelands, Steven Chaffin, Tiffany Bowman and Anne Eisenbeis

Excused: 1 - Molly Lindner

Absent: 1 - Michelle Baumstark

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chaffin moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Grim, and passed with a unanimous vote.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mondloch moved to approve the October 10, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Smith, and passed with a unanimous vote.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Alcohol Policy

There was discussion about the recent K2 overdoses in Columbia. Hollis stated work on the drink specials report for City Council was nearing completion and he hopes to have it to present to the commission at the next meeting. There was discussion regarding the challenges in developing the report and obtaining a consensus among departments. Hollis outlined the challenges of developing policy for the entire city when the issue applies to specific areas. There was discussion about temporal restrictions and the effects they would have city-wide. Smith asked about police enforcement downtown. Shouse-Jones discussed the Police Department's recent decision to combine the Community Outreach Unit and the Downtown Unit into one unit focusing on response, as opposed to outreach.

Roelands entered the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

B. Opioids

Hollis discussed the possibility of having the St. Louis County Health Department present to this commission and the Board of Health about the drug registry. Hollis outlined the topic of needles in parks and options for harm reduction. Shouse-Jones stated that the Police Department has administered Narcan twenty-two times since they started using it. Hollis and Smith shared information the EPICC grant through the DMH and Missouri Hospital Association which will provide certified peer support along with Narcan. Roelands asked about medication disposal. Eisenbeis stated that the Board of Pharmacy is in the process of developing resources for disposal. Hollis stated he inquired with CPD regarding "pink elephant," which has shown up in the St. Louis area, and CPD indicated they were familiar with the drug but have not seen it in Columbia.

C. Medical Marijuana

There was discussion about the recent passing of Amendment 2 to legalize medical marijuana. Smith asked how doctors would go about prescribing marijuana as a medication. Mondloch stated it is unlikely that University doctors would be able to prescribe medical marijuana due to various conflicts and believed it would most likely be prescribed by smaller private practices. Willoughby asked about the University's stance on medical marijuana. Bowman stated it would not be allowed on campus. There was discussion regarding the implementation of the amendment and the many related questions and issues. There was discussion about combustible versus non-combustible forms of medical marijuana.

V. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VI. REPORTS

A. ADAPT/Fan Behavior Committee

Bowman shared that there has been an increase in marijuana cases and a decrease in alcohol cases on campus.

B. Youth Community Coalition (YC2)

Ron Rowe stated that normalization of and accessibility to marijuana will lead to increased use, regardless of the distinction between medical and recreational marijuana. Rowe shared information about the recent drug take back event and stated he was working with Hy-Vee to explore the possibility of ongoing take back at their pharmacies. Rowe also spoke about the rising issue JUUL use among teens.

C. Columbia Public Schools

None.

D. Staff Report

Hollis discussed the recent K2 overdoses in Columbia. Hollis stated there were over 20 overdoses, but there were any fatalities as of the time of the meeting. There was discussion regarding the assumption in the news and on social media that K2 was laced with Fentanyl. Hollis stated it is not known if it was laced with other substances, such as Fentanyl. Hollis outlined the recent press conference and stressed the importance of recognizing that this is not a moral issue but rather a substance use disorder. Hollis commended the Police Department for working so diligently on this issue. Hollis stated that synthetic narcotics are a growing issue.

VII. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

None.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next commission meeting will be held at noon on December 12, 2018.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.