

**MEDINA COUNTY DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2005**

Roll Call

Chair Will Koran called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Joe Destro (Brunswick Representative), Jeff Vogel (Townships' Representative), James Bigam (Commissioners' Representative), Kent Patterson (Police Chiefs' Representative), Cliff Nowak (Brunswick Alternate Representative), William Koran (School Districts' Representative), Susan Likovich (Commissioners' Representative), Michael Maracz (Commissioners' Alternate Representative), Wally Schaedel (Medina Alternate Representative), Laura Dean (Medina Representative), Michael Jervis (Villages' Representative), and Jack Higgins (School Districts' Alternate Representative),

Absent: Ronald Likley (Wadsworth Alternate Representative), Tom Acklin (Police Chiefs' Alternate Representative), Antony Kibogo (Commissioners' Alternate Representative), Joe Lewandowski (Townships' Alternate Representative), and Ralph Copley (Wadsworth Representative)

Also present: Karl Cetina - MCDAC Executive Director and Commissioner Steve Hambley.

Review & Approval of Minutes – December 6, 2004

Everyone reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. *Cliff Novak made a motion to approve the minutes and Wally Schaedel seconded. There was no discussion. All voted AYE and the minutes were approved as presented.*

Old Business

Yearly By-laws Review

Karl Cetina said the Board did an extensive job of refining the MCDAC By-laws last year. He requested that the Board members read through their by-laws and see if there is anything they need to look at and discuss at the March meeting.

New Business

Election of Officers

Karl Cetina opened the floor to nominations for Chair. *Jim Bigam nominated Will Koran as Chair. Kent Patterson seconded the motion. Will accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. All voted AYE and Will Koran will be the MCDAC Board Chair again for 2005.*

Karl opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. *Jim Bigam nominated Kent Patterson and Cliff Novak seconded the motion. Kent accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. All voted AYE and Kent Patterson will be the Vice Chair again for 2005.*

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Executive Director's Report

Reappointment of Board Members

Karl said the Commissioners approved three resolutions today – one appointing Laura Dean as the Medina City MCDAC representative replacing Russell Fisher; another resolution reappointing Joe Destro as Brunswick representative and Cliff Novak as his alternate; and another appointing Michael Jervis as the villages' representative. There is still a vacancy, as the villages' alternate representative, and Seville Mayor Conrad Sarnowski will continue to search to find someone to fill it. Copies of the resolutions will be sent to the appointed Board members. Karl welcomed Laura.

Home & Flower Show – March 11th – 13th

Karl said the Career Center has reserved MCDAC's same spot at the Home & Flower Show. He will be passing around a sign up sheet at the different meetings he attends for the grantees to volunteer to help staff the table. He'll bring the sheet to the March meeting so the Board can see if there are any vacancies for them to fill if they wish.

TUPCF Tobacco Update

Dr. John Waddell, Tobacco Coordinator, reported that tobacco efforts are going well. They submitted their half-year Tobacco Use and Prevention Control Foundation report in January. The "sub grantees" gave him their numbers and commentary on the program. They are accomplishing their missions, and in every case they are ahead of the goals they set for themselves. Now the major job is to write the grant proposal for the third year continuance that is due March 31st. They may choose to strengthen their own efforts or possibly consider a new initiative to an underserved population. They will be going to meetings in Columbus on March 8th, 9th, & 10th that will feature all of the latest tobacco prevention ideas. All of the grantees are required to attend the training on the 8th.

Karl said the March 9th and 10th meetings are open to the public if anyone cares to attend these 12-hour workshops sponsored by Tobacco Free Ohio. He said the office operations are running smoothly. The bills are paid and the semi annual reports came in with 100% compliance. Jeff Vogel arrived during this discussion.

Will Koran said that the great compliance goes back to Karl staying in touch with the grantees and making it a very workable situation.

In other business, Karl said Wadsworth City Schools overextended themselves in some budget categories. They sent a letter explaining it, and he gave the group copies of the correspondence to review. He said they are requesting a budget revision retroactively.

Will asked if they had the necessary funding in their purchase services account and Karl said they did. He asked if there was a motion to approve the budget revision.

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Kent Patterson made a motion to accept the Wadsworth City School's shifting of funds. Laura Dean seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted AYE and the motion was approved.

Karl said he complimented Wadsworth City Schools for providing a refund to MCDAC last year.

Commission Members – Go Around

Cliff Novak said that there was a wonderful article by a grantee, but the MCDAC's partial funding was not mentioned in it. He brought it to their attention.

Jeff Vogel said there would be a brief meeting of the MCDAC levy fundraising committee immediately following this meeting.

Jack Higgins said they had their eighth annual countywide Emergency Management Services seminar on Saturday. 125 EMT's attended it. One of the sessions was put on by Mike Barnhart and Mr. Poston from the Drug Task Force about meth labs. They explained the dangers and what to look for. Jack said they did an outstanding job and it was an outstanding presentation.

Kent Patterson suggested Fred Wolk be thanked and commended on the good work by the DTF.

John Waddell said he would be going to an all day conference in New Philadelphia to learn the new computer system for the Ohio Tobacco Use and Prevention Control Foundation. They will be going to a completely online system for all of their grants management.

Steve Hambley welcomed aboard Laura and thanked the returning members to MCDAC on behalf of the Commissioners. He invited the Board to the 211 First Call for Help countywide kickoff ceremony on Friday, 2/11 at Job & Family Services. The reception begins at 1:30 p.m. and the first live call will be at 2:11 p.m. 211 is to provide better access for individuals to human and social services. This is a combined effort of the United Way who is the lead agency, the Commissioners, ADAMH Board, EMA, JFS, and the Library. A quarterly report will show the statistics of where the calls are coming in and who they are going to, which will provide an accounting for unmet needs. Then they can seek an agency to fill the unmet needs. This should reduce the calls to 911 as the system gets worked out. Joe Destro arrived at this time.

Will Koran asked Karl if heard from Commissioner Sharon Ray regarding having a person talk about the Prom Promise activities at Blossom Music Center. Karl said he had heard from her and talked to Blossom to do a presentation at Sharecluster to see if the schools are interested.

Next MCDAC Meeting: Monday, March 7, 2005, 6:30 p.m. in the Human Services Building. The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Vereb, Secretary