



Alliance for  
Substance  
Abuse  
Prevention

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**ASAP Coalition Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 23, 2018 10:00AM**

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Chrissie Parris, BCBH-CHAT  
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**I. Introductions and Approval Minutes**

Chrissie

- A. Started 10:09am
- B. Minutes approved by Missy Coyle and seconded by Rene Shelton

**II. ASAP Business**

Chrissie

- A. New Board Member
  - i. Chrissie introduced Kelly Mothershead. ASAP now has 10 board members.
- B. Grants
  - i. ASAP is applying for several grants-PPG which is a collaborative grant with community partners to ensure that evidence based practices in the schools. Also an opioid specific grant which is designed for coalitions like ASAP.
- C. Fundraising ideas
  - i. If any coalition members are interested in helping with fundraising let Monica know/have any good ideas.
- D. Podcast NY-Monica received a call from a podcast and they were watching Cops and saw Pasco County on it and saw that a lot of the calls were substance abuse related and noticed that the officers were emphatic. They wanted to know why Pasco was doing such a good job and how they handle these types of situations so Monica talked about Pasco's initiatives.

**III. Sustainability Activity**

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- A. Coalition members discussed why they come to ASAP meetings-education, networking, linking of services, overlap of community support involving mental health and substance abuse, receiving data information, awareness and helping to find solutions involving substance abuse.

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#### **IV. Committee Updates**

Committee Chairs

##### **A. SEN**

- i. Gabby Flores and Baycare CHAT Liana Dean participated on a maternal child webinar that had over 100 people on the call and they informed the participants of SEN initiatives. SEN is still working on pamphlets of what mothers can expect when babies are substance exposed.

##### **B. Alcohol Initiatives**

- i. This committee has started the planning on Promise at the Park-It will be the day before prom to take pictures and make a promise to not drive impaired on prom night. The committee is trying to collaborate with a car dealership for the youth to take pictures in front of. The committee has been working to complete environmental scans where youth and coalition members go into stores that sell alcohol and look for marketing towards youth, etc. Per the recent data there has been an increase in youth being able to buy alcohol and finding others to buy it for them.

##### **C. Recovery**

- i. This committee has identified that sober networking events would be helpful for the recovery community. If anyone has any ideas or locations, please let the committee know.

##### **D. Prescription Drug**

##### **E. March 8<sup>th</sup> this committee is hosting an Overdose Prevention Town Hall at North Tampa Behavioral Health with Judge Crane as the emcee and panel discussion.**

##### **F. Cannabis Awareness**

- i. None

##### **G. STAND**

- i. Monica is going to coordinate a youth leadership day to help them keep their voice present in the community and to teach them ways to represent youth.

#### **V. ASAP Brochure Distribution**

Christina

- A. If any organization is interested in having ASAP brochures, please let Christina Roberto know so she can give you a pack.

#### **VI. Legislative Updates**

Monica

##### **A. ONDCP update-currently it could just be a recommendation to get rid of this office.**

##### **B. Big Pharma Lawsuits could be similar to the Tobacco Master Settlement. Lawsuits are currently starting to investigate the opioid distributors and see if they mislead doctors and community members on these drugs. There is a meeting today at the county commission to take a vote if Pasco will join in the lawsuit.**

##### **C. State considerations on opioid funding-Gov Scott is estimating 50-60million but not sure what this funding will look like in the future. There is a push that PDMP should be mandatory.**

#### **VII. Guest Speaker**

Rochae Zwicharowski

##### **A. Recovery Epicenter**

- i. Rochae and Mike Kirk discussed the Recovery Epicenter organization and how it benefits the community and how it will help people stay in recovery.

#### **VIII. Roundtable**

Membership

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