

Massac County Drug Awareness Coalition
Monthly Coalition Meeting
Wednesday, July 16, 2025, 8:00 a.m.
Metropolis City Hall
MINUTES

1. Welcome
 - a. In-person- Toni Miller (Exec Committee), Robbin McDaniel (Exec Committee), Harry Masse (Law Enforcement Sector Rep), Rosemary Baxter (Gear Up Youth), Josh Stratemeyer (Massac Co. State's Attorney), Morgan Holt (Exec Committee), Greg Jeffords (Mayor), Harvey Baxter (Sheriff's Dept) Lasha Vincent (Prevention and Recovery Assistant), Jordan Strong (Recovery Coordinator)
 - b. Zoom- Mike Deno (House of Care), Tiffany Korte (Kiwanis), Steve Miller (Civic Sector Rep), Beverly Holland (Region 5 ROSC TA), Sara Jennings (Behavioral Health Group), Mike Tyson (SIRAC/National Peer Recovery Alliance), Jessica Palazzolo (Lincoln Prairie BHG), Amber Mulkins (Arrowleaf), Kerie Pumsey (Southern 7 Health Department), Jade Chew (National Guard), Cammy Duggins (Arrowleaf), Holly Windhorst (Director), Jasmine West (Prevention Coordinator)
2. Approve Old Minutes- There were no changes made to the old minutes. Harry Masse made a motion to approve the minutes, and Morgan Holt seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
3. Executive Committee Report - We are still seeking to fill an executive committee spot. This is a 3-year term, and we plan to vote during the Annual Meeting in August. If you are interested in filling this spot, please reach out. We have several candidates still on our list that we need to consider as well. The Executive Committee has also decided to move the meeting to noon. The meeting will still take place at the same location and date.
4. Fundraising/Sustainability
 - a. Fundraiser Recap - The 5K and Golf Tournament went really well. Due to the combined sponsorships, it is harder to separate the profit from each. We raised \$10,300 from both fundraisers. This is slightly less than we received last year, but we are very pleased with the amount we raised. Thank you to all the members of the Executive Committee for helping plan and manage the fundraisers, all the participants, and sponsors of both the 5K and the Golf Tournament.
 - b. Grant Updates- We received the ROSC grant, that fiscal year started in July. We applied for another small grant to help with the Recovery Resource Center and will update as we know more about this. We still have the DFC grant, and with the federal funding issues going on, the DFC is not on the list to get cut, but they are looking to reduce it. There may be an opportunity to submit support letters for the DFC grant, and we will continue to update you as we receive more information.

5. Prevention - Jasmine

- a. CGTI- We are currently at the Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute in Charleston, IL, with 10 Students. They are having a blast with workshops, round robin speakers, and discussion groups. We spend an hour with the students every day reviewing the data and the year's action plan. We are having a blast and will provide a full report at our next meeting.
- b. Back to School Events - We are coming up on our Back to School Week, which is packed with events. August 5th is National Night Out, hosted by the Police Department from 5-8 p.m. August 7th is Harrah's School Supply Drive, set up at 4 p.m., with doors opening at 5 p.m. August 9th is the Metropolis Police Department Pool Bash starting at 12. We are looking for volunteers, as this will be a very busy week for everyone involved.
- c. DEC Alliance meeting - We are targeting the end of August for the meeting, as we are trying to find a time when both the location and speaker are available. We will also be distributing the DEC books we received to all the elementary schools as school starts, so they can add them to their libraries.
- d. Youth Advisory Update - MCHS' first meeting will be held on August 27th during homeroom, and Joppa's first meeting will be on August 28th during lunch. We will be working to set up a leadership meeting before school starts to create a plan and combine the efforts of the CGTI leaders and the MCHS leadership team. We will be posting on Instagram and Facebook about how to join the groups, reminder codes, and the meeting dates.

6. Recovery - Jordan

- a. Recovery Council- Meetings going well, our last meeting was really successful as far as attendance and the content covered. We had a lot of discussion and made some progress in areas we had been stagnant as far as potential next steps for the group. We are working on a volunteer program for individuals to have options for opportunities to connect to local organizations. This is part of a bigger goal we have for a project for FY26 with our ROSC. We have two so far, Happy Hearts and Project Hope. We are open to any suggestions/ideas concerning volunteer opportunities for this project. We will have our next outing in the fall. Outings take the place of the meeting for that month. They are geared toward increasing new attendees as well as maintaining involvement from existing members. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month, unless conflicting events fall on that day, in which case we reschedule ahead of time.
- b. Overdose Awareness - August 28 at 6pm will be the 4th Overdose Awareness event we have held. We have a recovery council member committed to sharing her story as a message of hope during this event. We will still be looking for two more speakers: one to do the proclamation and another to share their thoughts or experience as someone connected to the issue.
- c. Recovery Walk - September 20 This will be held at Fort Massac from 10 am-2 pm. We will have vendor tables so local organizations and resources can share

their information and services available as well as celebrate the recovery community.

7. Resource Center - Lasha

- a. Needs- We still have a need for food or snack items to have on hand for individuals coming into the resource center that are hungry. We could also use some hygiene items as we are running low. Deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes etc.
- b. SMART Meetings - Wednesdays at 4:30 and Fridays at 1:00 We have these two meetings available each week.

8. Other- Holly mentioned the change of meeting time beginning in August is also to have 2-3 youth at each meeting to share from their point of view what they are working on.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:41 a.m. Wednesday, June 16, 2025

Annual Meeting: Wednesday, August 20, 2025, 12:00 p.m.*, Metropolis City Hall

*Please note the time change!!