

Yellowstone County DUI Task Force
Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2010

Present: Chad Fehr, Jeannie Martin, Barbara Grossman, Roger Gordon, Monty Wallis, John Bedford, Rodney Willson, Barry Willson, Laura Harper, Darla Tyler-McSherry. **Excused:** Kristin Lundgren, Mary Aggers, Tammi Reimer, Kevin Holland, David Carter.

Meeting called to order at 12:02. A motion was made to approve the May minutes. Motion seconded and approved.

The conference call for the 2010-2011 Strategic Plan among David, Darla, and Lonie, Lorelle, and Angie from the state went well. The budget for the upcoming plan was approved by the County Commissioners. Approval for the plan is an item on the consent agenda for the Commissioners next week. Darla will email and/or mail the final plan and budget to Task Force members.

The March Against Drugs and Violence event was successful in terms of public participation and coverage by the media, including Q2 and KULR 8. A number of people visited the DUI Task Force table and we had a good visible presence with our banner, educational materials, and table. Thanks to Rod Willson and Captain Bedford for volunteering their time at the table. Barbara Grossman had volunteered to help as well but could not due to illness.

Walter Shore, a Licensed Addictions Counselor who has worked in a variety of capacities with DUI offenders for several years, submitted a letter of application to become a member of the Task Force. A motion was made to accept his application. Motion seconded and approved. Welcome Walter!

The Task Force discussed plans for our upcoming Legislator Forum. This will be an opportunity for candidates running for County Attorney, Senate, House, Judiciary, and Supreme Court positions to present their views and ideas for addressing DUI issues. Laura, Barbara and Darla will work to put together a list of brief, to-the-point candidate questions for the Task Force to review at next month's meeting. Barbara and Darla will also generate a list of potential venues for the Task Force to consider.

The Task Force also discussed ideas for other projects/events for DUI TF presence. Ideas presented include: Cruise the Point parade; Billings Clinic and St. V health fairs; State Farm health fair (manned table); Citizen Police Academy; MSUB and Rocky faculty/staff health fairs; Kids Fair; Ales for Trails in September at Dehler Park; Motorcycle rallies; Goldwingers Convention; Chamber of Commerce (Rod will contact); Alive after 5; St. Johns concerts; Blues Fest; Art Walk; Fix at 6 (Chad will search for contact); and once again be a part of SD2 Driver's Ed. Capt. Bedford has been in contact with Lisa Harmon from the Downtown Business Association regarding having her attend meetings and possibly applying for

membership. Additionally, he has discussed with her the possibility of having the DUI Task Force helping sponsor some DBA events by purchasing the wristbands and having our logo on them.

The group discussed having an opportunity to provide participants at the Ales for Trails event BAC feedback. We would promote it as an educational and voluntary opportunity. We will ask David to provide input on the liability issues. We may also want to work with them to have the Tavern Taxi as a part of this event as well. Captain Bedford will be in contact with Dr. Bruce Chessen in the near future to discuss more particulars.

The Coordinator position has not had a pay raise in 6 years. A motion was made to increase the Coordinator's pay by another \$3,600 for the next 12 months. Motion seconded and approved.

Meeting adjourned at 12:49.