

Joe Kleszyk,

OPIOID STEERING COMMITTEE

Location: EOC
Date: 5/12/2025
Time: 2:00 PM
Co-Chair: Amy Bowles
CO-Chair: Anne Lindseth

Agenda items

1. Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm
 - a. In attendance: Amy Bowles, Amanda Sachau, Anne Lindseth, David Lazella, Jeff Lind, Carissa Golden, Joe Beaudreau, David Hanson, Dr. Joseph Corser, Selena Beasley, Sheriff Jason Riggs, Melinda Broden
 - b. Absent: Jennifer Greenleaf, Joe Kleszyk, Commissioner Tim Sumner, Jenny Vance
 - c. Guests: Tara Hokuf
2. Welcome and Updates
 - a. Reviewed Mission Statement and Committee Guidelines
 - b. Guest Presentation by Tara Hokuf (see attached). Operations Director for North Homes, 2024 RFP recipient.
3. Action Items
 - a. Present at board meeting 5/20/2025 – recommendation of 2025 RFP applicants
 - b. Budget updates
 - (a) Anne's Report
 - (i) Received one payment for 2025
 - (ii) Reviewed balance
4. Next meetings –
 - a. Next Full group (17 members) meeting July 14, 2025
 - b. Next County meeting June 16 2025

Action items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Present at CHB	Amy	7/18/23	Complete, moved to BC Board Meetings
Application for Steering Committee	Amy	7/20/23	Sent to team for review
Advertise	Committee	7/20/23	See Spread sheet
Review Applications	Committee	8/14/23	Present at meeting
Review Financials	Committee	8/14/23	Presentation by Amy and Josh
Contact Chosen Applicants	Amy	9/11/23	2 nd round, community members
Present Allocation of Funds to BC Board	Amy	9/5/23	Submit work bill for work session
Update in County Newsletter	Amy	TBD – Will submit each quarter as requested	Sent to Diane 8/16/23
Posting of Meeting Minutes	Amy	TBD – Working with Diane	Delay due to new website
Opioid Summit	Committee	Red Lake hosted Twice	Several Committee Members Attended
Community Learning Sessions	Committee	10/24 and 10/30	Beltrami Electric and Black Duck Golf Course
BC Board Presentation	Amy	9/18/23	Committee members and approval of allocation of funds
Review Community Input from Learning Session	Committee	11/13/23	Continue in 2024

Creation and Release of RFP	Committee	1/17/24	Amy will present to board 1/16/24
Review RFP	Committee	3/11/24	Amy to send final RFP and RFP applications to all board members by 3/1/24
Present RFP funding to Board	Amy	4/16/24	Amy to present which applicants will receive funding at 4/16/24 county board meeting
Draft, approval, signed Contracts	Amy, David, Awardees	7/2/24 Board meeting	Go live 7/2/2024
2024 Community Listening Sessions	Steering Committee	October, see August meeting minutes	Schedule for October 15, 2024 – available to public on website to read and listen
Invite Awardees to Committee Meetings	Amy, Committee	Begin November 2024	Attended 10/18/2024
Create a Community Resource page on Opioid Website	Amanda, Joe, Jenny V	September 2024, Completed	Working with CRC and Diane -
SUD Campaign (see below)	Committee	Ongoing	In progress. Started handing out educational material for Proof Alliance and Suicide Prevention
Kind – or – Hope bags "Funding Hope"	Committee – Mindy, Joe K, Jenny V	Started 10/8/2024	Sub-group to present ideas at November meeting
Creating Committee Name	Committee	TBD "Funding Hope"	Bringing more awareness to the community
Release Second RFP	Committee	11/14/24 Review, revisions	Publish 1/6/2025 See attached

Updated and Revise Committee Guidelines	Committee	November/December 2024	Submit to board – Amy 12/17/24
Revise words in hands logo	Amy	November 2024	Completed and sent to committee for approval
Funding Hope Advertising	Amy	Until funding spent	Advertising done via Pinnacle Market 1/2025
Newsletter Article	Amy	Due 2/14/2025	In progress
BC Board Update	Amy	2/18/2025	In progress
Review 2025 RFP	Committee	Contracts live July 2025	Present to Board May 20, 2025

Opioid Grant Committee: Program Update

05/12/2025

1. Use of Funds

Opioid Grant Funding has been used to enhance client engagement, wellness, and practical support. Specific uses include:

- Hosting a community concert event in September – “No Fear Recovery Show” at the Rail River Folk School – Sober Event that included guided meditation, dinner and five music performances. Free event for all ages.
- Providing gym memberships for clients to encourage physical health, community connections, engagement in sober activities, structure and routine.
 - Membership at Snap Fitness – allows two attendees at a time.
- Supplying healthy snacks to promote wellness, engagement and attendance during groups and other activities.
- Financial assistance with license reinstatement fees and the cost of drug testing.
- Art activities to promote engagement, community building, sober hobbies and supports.

2. Successes

- “No Fear Recovery Show” event that fostered great community support and participation.
- Clients are actively using gym access – promotes overall wellness & sober activities.
- Engagement continues to grow with creative events and activities around the community.

3. Barriers

- The departure of Zoey Griffin – Because the team was prepared well for this transition, we were able to ensure continuity of supports for our programming, staff and clients.
- Limitations in the Snap Fitness membership model restrict both number of clients and ages – by adding a second gym option, we hope to eliminate this barrier.

4. Plans for the Remainder of the Contract

- Continue organizing inclusive, low-barrier, sober, community events such as the “Tie Dye” art sessions this summer and 2nd Annual “No Fear Recovery Show” in Sept 2025.
- Expand support offerings for transportation, drug testing, and other essential client needs. Explore other community opportunities that align with our programming and fulfill client needs.
- Explore a second gym membership to provide more access, particularly to our adolescent population, and utilize their summer programming opportunities.