



**ISAP Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2009
LPD South Precinct
8:30 am to 10:00 am**

Members Present:

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Next Meeting: November 3, 2009 @ 8:30 am @ LPD South Precinct

I. Call to Order:

8:30 am

Marie Hansen, Chair Emeritus, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am and had each person introduce him or herself. Marie then turned the meeting over to Harriett Dean.

II. ACTION ITEM: Election of Pat Bednarz as Chair and Marie Hansen as Chair Elect:

Harriett stated that the ISAP Chair position had been open for quite a while. She stated that Pat Bednarz and Marie Hansen had kindly agreed to be, respectively, our Chairperson and Chair Elect. Harriett called for a motion to elect Pat and Marie.

Action:

1. Andrea Yokich motioned that Pat Bednarz be elected the 2009/2010 ISAP Chairperson and Amy Moore supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.
 2. Amy Moore motioned that Marie Hansen be elected 2009/2010 ISAP Chair Elect and Dawn Kepler supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.
- Harriett turned chairing of the meeting over to new ISAP Chairperson Pat Bednarz.

III. ACTION ITEM: Memorandum of Understanding with MidSouth Substance Abuse Commission (MSSAC):



Harriett distributed copies of the Memorandum of Understanding, Mid-South Substance Abuse Commission And the Ingham Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition to ISAP members present. Harriett stated that the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) process identified in the introduction of the memorandum intends that coalitions will practice science-based, rather than theory-based, prevention. Dawn Kepler asked if the SPF process was in place in our Implementation Plan and Strategic Plan, and Harriett replied that it was. Marie asked if science-based programs, practices and procedures were listed on the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Association (SAMHSA) website. Karen Waters stated that ISAP had created a booklet listing all science-based, scientifically approved prevention programs. She stated that Pat McKinley may have gotten information for the booklet from the SAMHSA website. The matrix in the booklet includes programs that are: Exemplary I, Exemplary II, Model and Promising. She stated that prevention curriculums are always scientifically evaluated but not all prevention practices and procedures are, even if they are regarded as best practices. Marie inquired if our Alcohol Awareness activities were science-based. Rod MacDonald stated that the Alcohol Awareness Committee had never intended to identify their activities as prevention. He stated that when Committee members had developed the activities several years ago, the intention was to simply provide awareness of alcohol use, misuse and abuse. Micki Fuhrman then stated that the ISAP Executive Committee had discussed speaking to Joel Hoepfner, MSSAC Prevention Manager, about a method of arbitration or appeal if MSSAC chose not to invest in strategies proposed in our plans based on lack of scientific evaluation. Harriett stated that she would bring the topic up at the MSSAC FTE/Coordinator's meeting, which would take place the following day. Harriett stated that Joel could address the issue and that other Coalition people in the region might also have input. Pat called for a motion that the MSSAC Memorandum of Understanding be signed by the Coalition Chair and the Coalition Prevention Coordinator and submitted to MSSAC, once the appeals process question was answered.

Action: Rod MacDonald motioned that Harriett Dean should introduce the question regarding an appeals process at the October 21st MSSAC FTE/Coordinator's meeting, and that the MSSAC Memorandum of Understanding would be signed by Harriett Dean and Pat Bednarz and submitted to MSSAC. Karen Waters supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.

IV. Discussion: Work Group meetings on opposite months of full coalition business:

Harriett stated that following a discussion about the most advantageous use of our meeting time at our last meeting as well as an electronic survey of ISAP members, we had come to a decision regarding ISAP meetings. Harriett stated that ISAP members indicated that their preference was for the six ISAP workgroups to meet once monthly during our regularly scheduled meeting time, with the first 20 minutes of the meeting time devoted to general announcements regarding the Coalition as a whole. Pat asked for a brief update on each of the work group's activities.



- **Data:** Marie stated that current data has been used in our Strategic Plan. She stated that the Data Committee needs to continuously monitor the Prevention Needs Assessment (PNA) School Survey data to determine if we are still on track. Marie added that Amy Moore and Dawn Kepler would be welcomed as valuable members of this work group.
- **Youth Use:** Marie stated that this work group has been addressing PNA data from the past two years, indicating that alcohol use was on the rise among Ingham County middle schoolers. A policy panel was organized around the data. Panel members looked at data results for sixth and eighth graders and made recommendations. Recommendations included the formation of parent discussion groups, resulting in mentoring initiatives for sixth through eighth grade youth. Marie stated that the work group is now looking at expanding these initiatives county-wide.
- **Community Norms:** Amy stated that members of this work group had spoken with staff from the Lansing Lugnuts and one of the results was that special alcohol compliance checks were conducted at Thirsty Thursday home Lugnuts games. Two TIPS Alcohol Server Trainings also came out of this work group's recommendations. Mike Tobias has been certified as a master TIPS Trainer. The work group is now looking at assisting with alcohol issues at the Common Ground Music Festival and the Lansing Chili Cook off. Amy stated that adult binge drinking is a reported problem at the Chili Cook off. She added that the Chili Cook off is co-sponsored by the Lansing Board of Water and Light. Mike stated that ISAP members might be able to check patron's identification at the event. Ralph Monsma asked if these strategies were evidence-based and Amy stated that that were, as they incorporate the Domino Strategy for Responsible Alcohol Use. Mike added that his server training also included information regarding temporary alcohol licenses. These are for special events, only require a ten day notice to receive, and require no training of servers. Mike stated that there is a potential for ISAP members to train these servers.
- **Adult Use:** Harriett stated this work group was organized around parental involvement with youth use data. She stated that group members are looking at substance abuse services continuum of care in Ingham County. Two professionally facilitated focus groups will be held this year to address the issue, consisting of consumers and providers of substance abuse services. Gaps in referral protocol and services will be addressed and recommendations made.
- **Media:** Harriett stated that a Michigan State University (MSU) Advertising class has allowed the ISAP Coalition to serve as its client. She stated that members of the Data Committee therefore will have to meet when the class meets. Class members have assisted ISAP with branding ourselves and with employing a social norms theme. Harriett stated that continued work will ensure that ISAP messages



will have a consistent look, as well as the messages of the Eaton and Clinton County Coalitions. The message and overall theme should remain the same for the tri-county area. Harriett stated that this is critical to our work and to the Tri-County Tobacco Plan Initiative.

- **Family Matters:** Karen stated that this work group has looked at data around family management issues in Ingham County families due to problems with substance abuse. Three media messages around “Good parenting and ATOD use don’t mix” were developed. Youth working with ISAP will be recording the messages in collaboration with MacDonald Broadcasting, and they will be broadcast at Ingham County school events and during Alcohol Awareness activities. This work group also collected data from foster care families and workers at Child and Family Services, Ingham County Health Department and St. Vincent’s Charities. A focus group will be held to specifically address the issues of foster care youth, resulting in opportunities for these youth to participate in media trainings, Alcohol Awareness activities, and other prevention activities.

Scot Sexton and Andrea Yokich both volunteered to join the Youth Use Work Group. A copy of the Work Groups list was passed around so that ISAP members present could add themselves to group memberships. Marie stated that minutes from all work groups can be mailed ahead of time so that work group members are aware of what we are doing. Amy suggested that work group chairs each read their agendas during the 20 minute full coalition meeting time. Mike stated that work group minutes could be incorporated into the Coordinator’s Monthly Report. Harriett Dean said she would add them to the reports.

V. State Substance Abuse Conference Summary:

This item was tabled until our next meeting.

VI. Legislative Updates:

- Mike Tobias presented. He updated ISAP members present on a Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) Public Hearing that was held on October 14th. Mike stated that MLCC will consider four proposed rule amendments:
 1. “Licensing Qualifications” to allow the extension of the 5-year escrow period.
 2. “Beer” rules which sets the deposit and refund of beer barrels to a minimum of \$30.00 and requires the deposit on all refillable containers over five gallons.
 3. “Vendor Representative and Salesperson” rules to equalize the number of drinks that can be purchased by a vendor representative or salesperson of a manufacturer of beer for promotional purposes to the number of drinks that can be purchased by a vendor representative or salesperson of spirits or wine.
 4. “Off-Premise Licenses” rules will be added to establish requirements for off-premises server training programs.



Mike recommended that ISAP send a letter of support for all 4 proposals to MLCC Chairperson Nida Samona. Micki recommended that we ask other coalitions in the MSSAC region to do the same. Pat called for a motion.

Decision: Marie Hansen motioned that the ISAP Coalition send a letter in support of the 4 proposed rule amendments identified above to MSSAC Chairperson Nida Samona. Rod MacDonald supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.

- Micki introduced the topic of medical amnesty for under aged people who call 9-1-1 when they or someone else is in need of medical assistance due to alcohol and/or drug intoxication. A bill has been introduced before both the senate and house proposing that the under aged caller be given amnesty from a Minor in Possession (MIP) citation or other charges when the call is made. The bill was introduced due to deaths caused by youth not seeking needed medical assistance for fear of being arrested. Dawn stated that East Lansing Police Department (ELPD) Chief Tom Wibert would like language of the bill to change from stating that the youth caller “shall” receive amnesty to “may” receive amnesty, leaving this to the discretion of the attending police officer. Scot Sexton stated that ELPD already gives the youth caller amnesty as a standard practice. Scot stated that he is concerned about youth currently abusing this practice by calling 9-1-1 in order to avoid an arrest when the police are on the scene. Dawn stated that she had written an article for the Prevention Network newsletter on the topic. She stated that research is mixed on medical amnesty and that the best practice piece appears to be educating youth on the signs of alcohol poisoning. She added that ASMSU is open to changing the proposed wording of the law from “shall” to “may”. Marie stated that a similar bill was proposed in 2004 which would have incorporated amnesty language into the MIP law. She stated she believed the new bill would get passed. She stated that the value of this law would be in taking the references to culpability out of dialogues with youth regarding underage drinking. Marie suggested an informational Opinion/Editorial letter be sent to local papers from ISAP.

Action: Harriett Dean motioned that she and Marie Hansen compose and send an informational Opinion/Editorial letter on the proposed medical amnesty bill to local papers. Micki Fuhrman supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.

- Mike introduced the topic of extending liquor sales on Sundays to 4 am. Michigan law currently prohibits liquor sales between 12 pm and 12 am on Sundays, for off premise liquor licensees. A bill is now before the house proposing that the Sunday sales hours be extended to 4 am. Pat asked if ISAP should advocate against this right now.



Action: Marie Hansen motioned that an email be sent from the ISAP Coalition to Gretchen Whitmer and to Representatives Bauer, Byrum and Meadows which would:

1. Oppose the extension of Sunday liquor sales to 4:00 am for off site liquor licensees, and
2. Advocate for raising the state's tax rates on "other tobacco products" (otp's) to parallel the state tax rate on cigarettes. Amy Moore supported the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Mike added that ISAP members should consider personal phone calls to Nida Samona, Barb Byrum and Susan Smith regarding these issues.

VII. Agenda items for November Coalition Meeting:

No items were suggested.

VIII. Announcements:

- Harriett announced that a Town Hall Meeting on Medicine Abuse, hosted by ISAP and sponsored by the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) and the Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA), will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2009, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Lansing Eastern High School Social Room.
- Micki announced that ISAP was also sponsoring a John Underwood – "Life of an Athlete" Presentation, along with the Lansing School District and the Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking (MCRUD). On November 12, 150 student athletes will convene at 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Everett High School cafeteria where John Underwood will lead a discussion about the effects of alcohol on athletic performance. Pat will be interviewed by Everett High School students on the day of the presentation. Pat stated that John Underwood will assist with youth mentoring initiatives. Adults are needed for small group supervision. Mike stated that there may be media time once the students leave the presentation. Rod suggested that further "Life of an Athlete" activities include local pee-wee football leagues.

XI. Adjourn:

10:30 pm