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**Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition General Meeting Minutes  
Meridian Police Department  
July 20, 2017**

**Attendees (16):** Cheryl Mulvihill, Kendall Nagy, Josie Bryan, Natalie Marti, Nichole Herold (+ guest), Patty Davis, Arnel Catic, Robert Allison, Brandon Frasier, Mary Liz Jones, Tana Bengoa, Earl Scharff, Stephany Galbreath, Ann Pardew-Peck, Monte Stiles

TIME	AGENDA ITEMS & SPEAKER	NOTES
4:00	Cheryl Mulvihill, Anti-Drug Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome &amp; Introductions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sign-in sheet signed by all attendees</li> </ul>
4:03	Stephany Galbreath, MADC Secretary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of Minutes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion by Monte Stiles, second Nichole, all vote to approve minutes</li> </ul>
4:05	Kendall Nagy, MADC Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marijuana Prevention Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preemptive City Ordinance: What is the end goal of this ordinance?</li> <li>• Open Discussion of Goals: Earl: Prohibit marijuana sales even if the state approves it. Consideration should be given to the soon to be annexed area. Ann: Target the School District, that would also include Star and Eagle (Outline Areas). Officer Catic: School’s already have a “Drug Free” zone, so it may not be too much of a concern as they have already established this regulation. Cpl. Frasier: Three considerations= 1)Possession, Sale, Use 2)Medical 3)Recreational Address #2 and 3 through Zoning, Licensing, Code. We must also look at the Enforcement, Cost, and Impact this ordinance will have. Huntington OR legalized marijuana with the hope of money, but hasn’t seen any revenue. Monte: Other cities need to follow Meridian’s lead so that Legislators realize that marijuana legalization isn’t something we want. If the Governor elected is against marijuana that is to our benefit as well. We should look at our current marijuana laws and identify ways to improve those. Kendall: A variety of key partners will provide essential expertise as we work through the process to draft and implement a preemptive city ordinance. The end goal is to have a preemptive city ordinance against legalization of all marijuana, as well as all forms and derivatives, as a preventative measure should there be a change in state law. If for some unforeseen reason that is not the end result, the coalition’s efforts are not wasted. We will be leading conversations, educating the public and generating interest in our efforts. Natalie: We should have data that shows how we won’t profit from marijuana coming into the city. Robert: It’s important that it’s not just marijuana but all the bi-products of marijuana like edibles, cannabis, CBD oil etc. Also the paraphernalia such as pipes, should be addressed in some way.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth Recruitment           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ service areas</li> <li>○ document development</li> </ul> </li>   <li>• Updates: CableONE Movie Night, Kiwanis, Youth Farmers Market</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question from Natalie: How popular is marijuana with juveniles, more than adults? Or are more adults using it?. Officer Allison: it's very popular in the High Schools and accepted and used by all students including those in AP classes with straight A's. Catic: Many teenagers are very bright and educated in Marijuana including the *% of THC, passing UA's etc. They feel like it's a very safe choice and are open about their choice to smoke marijuana. Cpl Frasier: We have a problem with how society has been educated about "being high" vs "being drunk." Many believe Marijuana doesn't cause impairment and it's safer than being drunk. Monte: Kids are using less marijuana than adults however it's a larger problem. Josie: in a group of 350 people for jury duty, 90% agreed that we should have medical marijuana.</li> <li>• Set Timeline:       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kendall: Goal date for this completion is June 2018, because Association of Idaho Cities meets in June. Monte: Suggests we ask the City to present a proclamation stating their stance on Marijuana laws by the end of the year as the coalition works on the ordinance. Kendall: Interim Steps could be a proclamation, resolution, multiple city ordinances, Town Hall meeting focused around this, development of a PSA.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Position Statements:       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Having Position Statements and names of supporters from all of our sector representatives, along with key businesses and organizations. We need to each brainstorm different local businesses, government agencies, medical groups, all of which for us to gather statements of support for the ordinance.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Visual to show the legalization of marijuana:       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A chronological map of marijuana legalization within the United States.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Youth Representation:       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Our goal as a coalition is to have more youth representatives for the MADC. Hailey Arnold, one of our Youth Sector Reps wasn't able to make the meeting but did provide a word document with input to help further reach Meridian Youth. Identifying key service clubs, social media, and school announcements to continue our efforts in inviting youth to attend our events.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Prior Events: reached over 746 community members with our prevention message</li> </ul>
4:35	Cheryl Mulvihill, Anti-Drug Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secure volunteers for upcoming events: Please contact Cheryl Mulvihill if you are interested in</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upcoming Events: Breathalyzer Booth at Meridian Speedway Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, Community Block Party Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, Recovery Day Breakfast Sept. 26<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>	volunteering. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breathalyzer Event: August 5<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Community Block Party: September 9<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Recovery Day Breakfast: September 26<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
4:45	Members & Guests: updates on MADC mission efforts and community events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ann Pardew-Peck</li> <li>Tana Bengoa</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ann Pardew Peck: Retired educator built a visual for resources. Ann is working to infuse prevention education in all subjects starting with Elementary School students all the way through College. When students hear the message many times from different leaders (teachers) it becomes more impactful.</li> <li>Teen Leadership Training held at the Nampa Business Excel Center. There were 42 youth that participated learning about self-confidence and current resources for them. Amazing Changes off of Fairview traditionally works with adults, but they are looking at bringing back a foundation that is focused around teen work. It's a way to connect youth together, fund events and programs, and be a hub for teens. If you are interested please contact <a href="#">Tana Bengoa</a>.</li> </ul>
	Open Discussion: feedback, ideas, questions, etc.	
<b>5:03pm Meeting Adjourned. Thank you for being an active part of MADC working to prevent substance abuse in our community.</b>		

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