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**STATE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE
MEETING MINUTES**

June 6, 2008

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**American Family Insurance Conference Center
6000 American Parkway Madison, WI 53783
Room A3151**

Members Present: Joyce O'Donnell, Renee Chyba (representing Secretary Rick Raemisch), Scott Stokes, Linda Mayfield, Mark Seidl, Gary Sumnicht (representing State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster), Michael Waupoose, Mary Rasmussen, Blinda Beason (representing Secretary Frank Busalacchi), Greg Phillips (representing Michael Myszewski and Attorney General J.B. Van Hollen), Sandy Hardie, Representative John Townsend, Senator Carol Roessler, Jennifer Stegall (representing Eileen Mallow and Insurance Commissioner Sean Dilweg), Dr. Pamela Phillips, Senator Tim Carpenter, Coral Butson representing Governor Jim Doyle, Douglas Englebert.

Members Excused: John Easterday, Alternate for Secretary Karen Timberlake, Judith Wilcox, Representative Joe Parisi.

Members Absent

Ad-Hoc Members Present: Linda Preysz (Designee for Roberta Gassman, Secretary DWD), Jeff Scanlon (for Celia Jackson, Secretary DRL), Ray Luick (Designee for David Steingraber, OJA), Larry Kleinsteiber, Susan Crowley

Ad-Hoc Member Excused: Roger Johnson, Thomas Heffron.

Ad-Hoc Member Absent:

Staff: Lori Goeser, Gerald Livings, Joyce Allen, Greg Levenick, Lori Ludwig, Lou Oppor, Gail Nahwahquaw, Kathy Thomas, Rita Schraepfer-Derke, Mary Raina Zwadzich, Susan Endres, Jamie McCarville, Elizabeth Hudson, and Michael Quirk.

Guests: Katie Plona, Norm Briggs, Bill McCulley, Kyle Pfister, Mary Lynn Rose, Mike Kemp, Murray Kaye, Carol Hanneman-Garuz, Dave McMaster, Denise Johnson, Carol Lobes, Judy Adrian, John Frederick, Cynthia Greer, Manny Scarbrough, Georgiana Wilton, Jill Gamez.

Introductions/Welcome/Agenda

Linda Mayfield, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:35 am. In the absence of the Chairperson, she welcomed the group and asked for any new participants to introduce themselves. Greg

Levenick introduced Elizabeth Hudson, the new Trauma Coordinator for the Bureau. Ms. Hudson addressed the group indicating how she looked forward to increasing the awareness of trauma informed care across the state.

Approval of Minutes

Joyce O'Donnell motioned to approve the minutes of March 7, 2008 as written. Linda Preysz pointed out an edit on page 7. In the paragraph above "Women's Capacity Study Results," change "even" to "event." Michael Waupoose expressed concern/confusion about Joyce O'Donnell's motion to increase SCAODA's membership from 22 to 27, adding an additional 5 members from the field of AODA prevention and treatment. He thought the entire motion was "on hold." Joyce O'Donnell explained that what was on hold was the motion that the Planning and Funding Committee would develop criteria for the selection of five new members through recommendations from the other SCAODA Committees. She explained that the motion to increase the membership was passed unanimously. The motion to identify selection criteria is on hold. Greg Levenick read from the letter sent to Governor Doyle regarding membership and a specific reference was made to language indicating that the new members should be from the field of AODA prevention and treatment. Mr. Waupoose held that he thought there would be further discussion. Mark Seidl seconded the motion for approval of the minutes: all were in favor.

DHFS Legislative Updates

Katie Plona, DHFS Legislative Liaison was introduced. She indicated that now that the legislative session has ended, the budget bill is being developed for passage next January or February. It becomes public on September 15th. She pointed out that the Council might consider the budget bill as an opportunity to influence policy. Because the legislature is not in session right now, there is nothing new to report. The budget repair bill has passed. She asked if there were any questions. Joyce O'Donnell asked if there was any legislation that impacts the field of alcohol and other drug prevention. Regarding the beer tax, what would DHFS' role be? Ms. Plona thought that DHFS would get some funding from it if it did pass. Ms. O'Donnell indicated that she would like to see the legislation once it is activated again. Ms. Plona pointed out that the first opportunity for that to occur would be January 2009. In September, agencies (DHFS) make budget requests. Representative Townsend counseled the group to take advantage of these 6 months to draft legislation. Legislators are sworn in on the first Tuesday in January. Then there is a 25-30 day period to organize the committees. If a bill is ready, it can get to Committee in late January or early February. Joyce O'Donnell expressed the hope that Representative Townsend and Senator Carpenter would introduce legislation to increase the number of members in the Council from 22-27. Representative Townsend recommended that the Council approach both offices and staff to get that done. Joyce O'Donnell indicated that the prospective legislation was on the Planning and Funding Committee's calendar.

Greg Levenick summed up the actions taken on behalf of SCAODA's motions from the March 7th meeting during the past three months: 1) Regarding increasing the membership, a letter was drafted and sent to Governor Doyle asking for his support. 2) Regarding potential cuts in SAMHSA's 2009 budget, letters opposing the cuts were drafted and sent to the entire US Congressional delegation from Wisconsin, and Governor Doyle. 3) The CLAS standards were posted to SCAODA's website. At the Department level, staff are working with the Affirmative Action/Civil Rights Compliance staff, to identify ways to disseminate the information. Mr. Levenick announced that as part of the regular legislation and motions updates, we'll provide documentation of what has occurred on the SCAODA

website, so everyone can see what the item's status. He asked for any other suggestions members might have. There were none made.

Public Input

There were no requests from the public to address the Council. However, Dave McMaster reported that on April 23, 2008 he met with 29 representatives of the ATODA system in order to confront barriers to integrating tobacco cessation programming with other substance abuse treatment programs. It was the first time all of these groups met together. On July 24th, the state of NY will be implementing the new standard that AOD programs MUST be tobacco free. They will be training counselors on how system change occurs. Mr. McMaster will be getting that information and incorporating it into an implementation plan. Mr. McMaster also recognized Norm Briggs for his contributions.

Intoxicated Driver Surcharge Audit Request

Senator Roessler resumed the duties of the Chair. She indicated that the Council should consider what its recommendations will be for the next legislative system regarding "Operating While Intoxicated" drivers. She explained that legislators are generalists, when an incident occurs, the public looks to the legislature. She suggested that the Council make recommendations for change. The third conviction will be on the table. A discussion ensued regarding treatment alternatives such as: the DOC facility that does OWI programming for inmates with a 5th OWI conviction, Drug Courts, and the Safe Streets program. She reported that Safe Streets has a 4% recidivism rate compared to a 53% recidivism rate for those without the program. Senator Roessler reported that the Safe Streets bill was the last bill to pass in the Senate this year. However, the Assembly had adjourned. She asked that whatever SCAODA Committees are appropriate, review the program. Greg Levenick indicated that the ITC would be the appropriate Committee. Senator Roessler asked that a report on Safe Streets be prepared for the Council. This program can be for 2nd time OWI offenders. She also informed the group that she would support Wisconsin having a criminal penalty for 1st time Drunk Driving. Wisconsin is the only state that doesn't have a criminal penalty for first offenders. When the Council comes forth with recommendations, also consider what penalty would be appropriate for first time OWI offenders.

Mark Seidl reported that in 1989 the Intoxicated Driver Program was implemented. It was a good program but it caused the costs of OWI offenders to be shifted from jails to the counties. So, a surcharge was assessed in 1989 on the intoxicated driver. Money came from the counties to the state and the state disbursed it as part of the Community Aids formula. It didn't work. The larger counties were always short. The State Council worked with Senator Roessler to change the situation. So, in 1992, of a \$250 surcharge, 85% went to the county and 15% went to the state. Now counties get 68% or, \$212 of a \$350 surcharge. The request from counties is now about \$2,000,000. Counties were allocated \$1,000,000 from \$1,400,000. Where did the \$400,000 go? No one knows. Treatment costs have gone up and the counties' percentage of the dollars has gone down. The Wisconsin County Association asked for a legislative audit. Senator Roessler also made a request. Mr. Seidl indicated that this year, counties will get only 30% of what they request. Senator Roessler felt that this should be a major issue for the next legislative session. She reported that two days ago she re-submitted the letter asking for an audit. She continued that the new chair of the Legislative Audit Bureau is Senator Sullivan. Senator Roessler talked to Senator Sullivan last week, also Representative Suzanne Jeskewitz. Senator Sullivan is Joyce O'Donnell's Senator. She reiterated that we need to make that call. Also, it's a good idea to have the State Council send a letter. **Mark Seidl moved that the State Council send a letter requesting an audit of the Intoxicated Driver Program, and have the Vice-Chairperson sign**

it. The Motion passed unanimously. Joyce O'Donnell also agreed to make contact with Senator Sullivan. Gary Sumnicht and Mary Rasmussen also agreed to contact their legislators and ask for the audit. In addition to insufficient IDP funds, third party Insurance Companies often refuse to pay for treatment. Jennifer Stegall, from the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, suggested that if someone is denied insurance coverage they should file a complaint with the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. Ms. Stegall agreed to bring the link to the insurance complaint forms to the next meeting. Mary Rasmussen made the point that when someone is in need of AODA treatment, they are in a vulnerable state, and taking up the reigns of advocacy may be beyond their skill-level at that point. Ms. Stegall reiterated that Office of the Commissioner of Insurance needs cases so changes in the law can be made. Mark Seidl pointed out another hardship in obtaining third party insurance coverage. Treatment must be provided within a 30-day period. Lorie Goeser explained that if treatment isn't obtained within 30 days, it is not considered an acute problem, and therefore denied coverage. Senator Roessler responded by charging the group to get active, get tough, be a pain to these agencies. Take this problem back to advocates and ask them to help people with the appeal forms. Do whatever is necessary. She asked Mark Seidl to put the IDP background down on paper. She thought the paper should be part of the next SCAODA packet. Senator Roessler summarized: 1) Criminalize first offense OWIs. 2) Restore funding from the IDP surcharge. Make sure money that is set aside is directed to treatment programs. 3) Work on insurance compensation. 4) Pass the Safe Streets legislation (Include the Safe Streets legislation in the next SCAODA packet). Senator Roessler suggested asking Secretary Karen Timberlake to come to a SCAODA meeting when we have some recommendations.

Michael Waupoose raised two issues: 1) regarding insurance coverage for AODA treatment: Not all insurance companies refuse coverage; only some. When the IDP assessor says one thing and the assessment from the treatment provider says something else, there is a disparity in what the person being assessed needs. The Intoxicated Driver assessors are not certified to assess substance use disorders. The Intoxicated Driver assessment tool doesn't lead to a diagnosis, either. HFS 75 dictates that placement criteria for level of care must be assessed and the Intoxicated Driver assessors do not use level of care criteria. If "not medically necessary" is reported, then the insurance won't cover the treatment. That is the key.

Greg Levenick explained that HFF 62 (Administrative Rule relating to intoxicated driver assessments and driver safety plans) was re-written recently. The tool that Intoxicated Driver assessors use is a screening tool and not an assessment tool. A referral of suspected abuse or dependence is made to treatment personnel. Treatment providers determine the substance abuse disorder diagnosis, if any. Lorie Goeser reported that at the upcoming Bureau conference in October, there will be a training session for Intoxicated Driver Assessors. They will have one session on HFS 62. Lorie Goeser agreed to report on this at the December meeting.

Michael Waupoose continued with his second issue: 2) The Drunk Driving assessment is done in the County of residence where the fee is paid. However, tribal members are referred back to the tribe for treatment and the tribe has to absorb the cost of treatment.

STAR-SI

Michael Quirke presented on STAR-SI. STAR-SI is in the business of increasing treatment success. The goal of the STAR-SI program is to increase successful AODA treatment completions. The project has found that among all STAR-SI sites, successful completions have increased by 55%. The program is based on a "Walk-through" model, wherein program Administrators walk through their programs as if

they were clients. The staff becomes the patients and experience the program as the client does. Kenosha reported a reduction of wait time to get into treatment by 50%. Racine showed an initial rate of 47% of referrals getting into treatment which was raised to 72%. Sixty (60) more clients were admitted and that generated an additional \$11,000 in revenue. In Iowa County, they reduced their paperwork and associated time for an Intoxicated Driver Assessment, so they could reduce the fee by \$54. One of the 23 STAR-SI providers, Norm Briggs, from ARC Community Services in Madison, was present and reported that ARC Community Services reduced its “no show” rate from 32% to 16%. Mike Quirke reported that each year about 10 agencies are brought into the STAR-SI project. He encouraged SCAODA participants to get the word out. The agencies get small grants to defray data collection costs (\$5,000-10,000).

Synar

Kyle Pfister presented a power point on Synar which is a federal effort to prohibit sale of tobacco to underage youth (less than 18 years of age). Synar is an amendment (to federal legislation) that requires a less than 20% non-compliance rate (sales to minors). Wisconsin has a rate of 4.5%. Wisconsin Wins is a science-based program to reduce youth access to tobacco products. It incorporates a “Reward and Reminder” protocol and media and outreach activities, too. Senator Roessler asked how merchants find out about Wisconsin Wins. There will be a statewide press release in June; Mr. Pfister meets with the Tavern League and Grocers. There will also be window clings, cards and stickers for the register available at the website.

Committee Reports

Intervention and Treatment Committee (ITC): Linda Preysz reported that the ITC has been addressing their strategic plan. The Children and Family Sub-Committee is coming together. The Intoxicated Driver Program (IDP) Sub-Committee is still pending. Greg Levenick reported that hopefully, in the next three or four months the Bureau would be able to hire an IDP Coordinator. Senator Roessler suggested that members for the IDP Sub-Committee be recruited from among existing IDP programs.

Lorie Goeser reported that the “Joint Statement” in the SCAODA packets are in final draft form and will be sent to Secretary Karen Timberlake. It promotes the well-being of the whole person; many have endorsed it as a standard of practice and good care. Senator Roessler asked how stigma was to be addressed. Lorie Goeser indicated at the WAAODA conference there was a stigma breakout session which included media people. There was an action plan resulting. Senator Roessler asked why veterans as a group weren’t mentioned, and suggested that they be addressed specifically and deliberately. Lorie Goeser agreed to do that. Regarding “Parity” Senator Roessler felt that if “Parity” were passed at the federal level, it would help Wisconsin’s efforts. She then suggested that without a federal law, this state won’t move forward unless and until individual parties, businesses come forward and say they need this. That’s what it is going to take. Look at the costs of the lack of productivity, absenteeism, breakdown in the family. The Mental Health Council needs to appeal to businesses across the state—not Associations—individual businesses. It has to come from businesses or it will not succeed. Legislators are afraid of passing something that would increase costs.

Renee Chyba brought forth a motion that, **with the addition of veterans, the SCAODA council go on record as supporting the Joint Statement from DHFS and to be acknowledged as an endorser of this statement and its action plan, with the knowledge it is a living document with ongoing**

additions and adjustments being made. Michael Waupoose seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Renee Chyba then brought forth an additional motion: **SCAODA council should send a letter to the Governor requesting support to increase the number of State of Wisconsin Adult Teaching Institutions (i.e. Technical colleges, and Universities) to offer Substance Abuse Counseling competencies classes and concentrations in order to address the current and predicted future workforce shortage in this area. Recommend a focus to have this type of curriculum offered at UW-Madison, UW-Platteville, UW-Milwaukee, and UW-Oshkosh in particular given these institutions offer a variety of master's degree programs for a variety of counseling and psychotherapy but do not include/or offer as an option the basic Substance Abuse Counseling educational requirements.** Senator Roessler suggested also sending the letter to the President of the Board of Regents; Chancellors of the Colleges mentioned; and to the Chairs of the Higher Education Committees of both houses. She suggested adding need and factual data to the letters and added the President of the UW System, the Deans of the schools mentioned and the Chancellor of UW-Madison to the list of recipients. Joyce O'Donnell suggested cc'ing all parties to the letter. Jerry Livings suggested mentioning the places that do have the appropriate competencies in place, so there is a place recipients can refer to, when questions arise. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Jeff Scanlon reported on two related issues: 1) Within the past few days there has been a rules change for the Substance Abuse profession which he will distribute electronically. He distributed hard copies of the document. Summarizing, Effective June 1, 2008, Supervisors in Training cannot supervise Counselors in Training. 2) Exam requirements for Clinical Substance Abuse Counselors: The oral exam is being replaced by equivalent items on an updated written exam. He asked that we disseminate to our networks specific information regarding these changes.

Diversity: Michael Waupoose discussed the activities of the Diversity Committee: 1) The Diversity Committee reviewed their membership and letters were sent out to ascertain interest. The roster has been narrowed. Diversity Committee still needs citizen members. Senator Roessler suggested veterans. 2) The Diversity Committee reviewed the work plan and made minor revisions: the Youth Group is now a part of ITC. 3) Diversity held a meeting at the Menominee Treatment Center. It is an amazing place, having integrated culturally appropriate activities within age/sex/client type groupings. Mr. Waupoose expressed gratitude to the staff of the Menominee Treatment Center. 4) Mr. Waupoose thanked State staff for including the CLAS standards and the definition of Cultural Competency on the SCAODA website, but it should be in a more forward place (not under Diversity Committee). 5) Currently the Diversity Committee is working on recommendations for cultural competent assessment tools. They are reviewing three tools, which they would like linked to the website. They are looking into mechanisms to provide culturally competent training to program directors, clinic supervisors, and providers. Senator Roessler suggested Greg Phillips (representing the Department of Justice) and Mr. Waupoose examine ways to help the DOJ with diversity issues. Senator Roessler asked about older adults and where were they represented in the Diversity Committee? Mr. Waupoose indicated that they were not a focus for the Diversity Committee which focuses on cultural diversity.

Planning and Funding: Joyce O'Donnell reported on the Public Forum at the WAAODA conference: She referred to the summary of issues in the SCAODA packet of information. The major issue was there are very few programs for AODA Counselors. Ms. O'Donnell commented on the quick turn around in acting on this concern. Senator Roessler encouraged the group to find a way to get information regarding SCAODA's responses to their concerns back to them. Ms. O'Donnell thanked

Senator Roessler for her commitment to the AODA field and hoped that her successor has as much enthusiasm. Ms. O'Donnell expressed gratitude to Lilly Radivojevich, DMHSAS staff assigned to the Planning and Funding Committee, who resigned her DMHSAS position recently. She served the Planning and Funding Committee well. Ms O'Donnell also thanked the Governor for proclaiming April Alcohol Awareness Month; and was happy to see that DMHSAS hired a Trauma Coordinator. She then made the motion: **To request SCAODA's legislative members introduce legislation that increases SCAODA's number of statutory members to 27 from 22, 5 additional members would represent the substance abuse prevention and treatment field, both culturally and geographically, in the state of Wisconsin. The motion was seconded by Gary Sunnicht.** Michael Waupoose felt that there needed to be a picture of the current Council. He expressed concern that there would be an imbalance; with an overrepresentation of treatment providers. Treatment providers have professional Committees that represent them. He recommended that we look at the make-up of the current Council before we specify who or what the new members would represent. Joyce O'Donnell acknowledged Mr. Waupoose's concern. The intent of the motion is not to cut anyone off. The Citizen Council had 47 members. Planning and Funding is concerned about increasing the numbers and when you look at the membership, it could be considered top heavy. Sandy Hardie agreed with Mr. Waupoose; that we should look at the gaps before we do anything. Linda Preysz echoed that sentiment. She indicated that she didn't want SCAODA to be a professional organization. We need to look at this. **Senator Roessler suggested a friendly amendment to amend out "Prevention and Treatment" fields. Gary Sunnicht seconded the motion and the motion with the amendment was approved unanimously.**

Senator Roessler then suggested the group brainstorm who the new members should be: Business and professional person, recovering person, veteran, former offender having gone through treatment, tribal member. Mr. Waupoose suggested that SCAODA staff survey the membership as to what they would like to see. He suggested inquiring into members representation (who do they represent) as well as to who they would like the new members to represent. Scott Stokes suggested an Hispanic representative and someone from Prevention. Michael Waupoose suggested a Hmong person. Greg Levenick agreed to do the survey. Greg Phillips pointed out that the tribes are all different and don't always work together. How can one person represent the all the tribes? Larry Kleinsteiber suggested a VA federal health care professional. Joyce O'Donnell suggested inviting all of those mentioned to participate on a Committee. Senator Roessler thanked Joyce O'Donnell, Michael Waupoose and Linda Preysz for good succinct motions and background work. Representative Townsend added that legislation can only increase numbers by statute. Specific qualities should be decided here in the State Council. Senator Roessler agreed, indicating that follow-up would occur next legislative session.

Prevention Committee: Scott Stokes reported that the Prevention Committee is working on RFP's for the SPF SIG project. They should be issued soon. He also announced that there is information on the upcoming Prevention Conference in the SCAODA packet. Susan Crowley encouraged people new to the Prevention field to attend as well as returning prevention specialists. Blinda Beason noted that the Prevention conference is a great conference for getting training and credit. Lastly, Scott Stokes noted that the latest Epidemiological Report will be released the end of June or first of July. The Prevention Committee should be able to give an overview of it at the next meeting.

By-Laws: Lou Oppor presented a short summary of the work accomplished in creating By-laws for SCAODA. First, he reported, the Workgroup met six times. All of the Sub-Committees have reviewed the document. The final meeting was about one month ago. The Workgroup took all of the comments into account. Then, he pointed out the passages in the By-laws that are underlined are those that come directly from statute. The purpose for the By-laws was taken directly from the Council's Four-year

plan. He pointed out particular sections: 1) Current membership by statute (sec 2.2 page 4); 2) six non-voting Ex-Officio members (page 5); 3) Selection of Officers (page 5); 4) Elections at the first meeting of each year (July 1st) (sec 2.5 page 5); 5) Terms of members (2.5 page 6)—there are several members whose terms have expired and Mr. Oppor reported that he is working with the Governor’s Office about these expired terms; 6) Terms shall expire in odd-numbered years (page 4 section 2.3). At this point, Senator Roessler asked for a report on appointments in September. Mr. Oppor continued with his review of the By-laws: 7) Vice-Chair shall convene a Nominating Committee (sec. 2.9 page 7); 8) Defined roles (page 9), created an attendance police person—the Secretary of SCAODA. If members are not in attendance for two or more meetings, then the Secretary contacts them. Senator Roessler indicated that it might be of benefit to send an FYI letter to the Governor about the new members from the Vice-Chair. Mr. Oppor pointed out the attendance rules on pages 13-14. 9) New to SCAODA, an Executive Committee was added. Following the summary, Blinda Beason made a motion: **To approve and adopt SCAODA’s By-laws. Mark Seidl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.** A handout was distributed directing nominations for officers and applications for new or continuing members be directed to Linda Mayfield. The Nomination Committee was convened. The following agreed to participate on the Nominations Committee: Mark Seidl, Renee Chyba, Joyce O’Donnell and Mary Rasmussen.

Project Fresh Light: Susan Endres distributed four handouts. “The Need for Gender-Specific Treatment of Adolescents: A new paradigm for treating boys and young men,” “Project Fresh Light Power Point,” “Six Barriers identified in March 21, 2007 Inter-Intra Departmental Adolescent Treatment focus Group (rev),” and a cd from Wisconsin Family Ties, “Family Guide to Adolescent Substance Abuse Information and Services in Wisconsin.” Senator Roessler asked that a set of parents or two attend the September meeting. Ms. Endres pointed out the project’s website: projectfreshlight.org. A discussion ensued as to insurance coverage for adolescent treatment. Mental Health may be covered under Medicaid but not substance abuse. Ms. Endres reported on the use of the standardized assessment tools: the GAIN for use with adolescent populations is being distributed statewide by Family Ties; and the POSIT for use with juvenile justice populations at the point of intake has been distributed to county units. Another issue involved in adolescent treatment is the lack of Certified Counselors with an Adolescent Specialty. There are issues with the Department of Regulation and Licensing as well as with providers. Senator Roessler suggested that Michael Waupoose, Susan Endres and Jeff Scanlon work together on this issue. Ms. Endres reported that Family Ties is an organization for families with Mental Health issues and now it is for families with AODA issues, too. Ms. Endres reported that the final report is due July 9th. Dave McMaster recognized Ms. Endres and Joyce Allen for this program. Michael Kemp of the Adolescent Treatment Improvement Sub-Committee recognized Senator Roessler for this project, too.

Agenda Items for September Meeting: 1) Beer Tax—Senator Roessler said that we need to ask the Governor to do this right now. Ask him to increase the tax on beer in his budget. It won’t happen through the legislature. Representative Townsend suggested asking that proceeds go to treatment agencies, instead of the general fund. Other items: 2) Report on treatment available for 5th OWI; 3) Safe Streets; 4) STAR-SI; 5) Epi Profile; 6) Election of Officers; 7) Parents and youth in Recovery 8) Secretary Timberlake and the budget.

Announcements: Senator Roessler ended the meeting by saying that now is the time for the Council to act. It has an influential position with its Committees and a network of providers. She challenged the group to put together an agenda to save lives.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2008 at 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at American Family Insurance Conference Center.

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