

Roane County Anti-Drug Coalition (RCADC) April 3, 2019

Members/Guests Present: Jeanna Steele-Mack, Ashley Freeberg, Sarah Harrison, Nathan Wray, Suzanne Horsfall, Stacie Plazek, Beth Sams, Gary Cosby, Patti Luttrell, Mike Barber, Darrell Owenby, Baron Tapp, Denise Sterling, Dr. Timothy Bell, Marilyn Calfee, Leonora Spangler, Heather Metcalf, Nancy Chrisman, Nancy Steele

Marilyn Calfee opened the meeting with introductions and then proceeded to introduce Nancy Chrisman with Roane County Schools. Nancy presented on "Trauma Informed Schools" as staff from Midtown Elementary and Bowers Elementary attended training on the subject in November 2018 and began training additional personnel in February 2019. Nancy stated that this is a model that works well and there will be a three-year training process in which they will test the participating students each year to determine the program's effectiveness. They provide monthly updates to the state and were provided grant funds to purchase items for the peace corners which will be available in each classroom within Midtown and Bowers. They currently have 15 students who are participating in the program and staff "check in" with the students at the beginning of the day and "check out" with the students at the close of the day. They allow students time to regulate themselves before consequences occur. They will offer the training to any school within Roane County who expresses an interest. Nancy provided a handout which stated that Roane County Schools Student Support served 371 students, made 373 referrals to community agencies, made 47 referrals to Children's Fund, made 117 crisis calls, and made 29 threat assessments during the 2017-2018 school year. The PowerPoint presentation used by Nancy is below these minutes.

Marilyn and Sarah Harrison reported that Representative Calfee sponsored HB1360 which requires a prescriber to also prescribe naloxone when prescribing opioids or benzodiazepines to a patient, and Senator Yager sponsored the bill in the senate. Sarah also mentioned that SB0064 will require each local board of education to adopt a policy requiring all K-12 teachers, principals, and assistant principals employed by the local education agency (LEA) to participate in adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) training on an annual basis should the bill go into effect.

Ashley Freeberg invited everyone to a breakfast this Saturday, April 6th from 9am-12pm at A Prodigal's Path 2 Recovery in Kingston. Patti Luttrell provided everyone with fliers to the event. They have the breakfast the first Saturday of each month.

Jeanna Steele-Mack informed coalition members that Marilyn Calfee is one of 16 nominees for the Inaugural Ageless Hall of Fame Celebration in Knoxville. The award will be presented on Thursday, May 16th at 11:30am. Jeanna asked that anyone interested in attending the event, please let coalition staff know as they plan to purchase tickets to support Marilyn.

The next coalition meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at the RCADC office.