



MERIDIAN ANTI-DRUG COALITION
STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY

MINUTES: Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition General Meeting
 Meridian Police Department, Media Room *or* *Zoom
 1401 E Watertower St, Meridian, ID 83642
 March 20, 2025 | 4-5PM

17 ATTENDEES: (16 In-person) Kendall Nagy, Hailey Blogg, Earl Scharff, Marco Erickson, Caylee May, Danielle Fanopoulos, Jake Cluff, Terry Austin, Kati Chauvin, Robert Rodriguez, Brenda Willson, Susie Stertz, Anne Little Roberts, Daniel Johnston, Jordan Robinson, Cheryl Mulvihill (1 Via Zoom) Kristi Lampe

TIME	SPEAKER AGENDA ITEMS	NOTES
4:00	Kendall Nagy, Director: Additions to Agenda? Welcome & Introductions	(all) sign-in, introductions
4:05	Hailey Blogg, Secretary: 2/20/25 General Meeting Minute vote (sent out via email), Leadership Meridian, Eagle MS Reality Town	(Secretary) record attendees, take minutes; special attention to action items & votes (all) vote to amend or approve minutes- motion, second, all in favor, anyone opposed? 1 st – Susie 2 nd – Earl. All in Favor. (Hailey) Presented to the Meridian Chamber of Commerce Leadership Meridian Class about MADC. Great questions, discussion on legalization, and resources available (26 attendees). Presented at Eagle Middle School Reality Town, thank you to Kati & Tiffany. Great engagement and conversations with 6 groups of middle schoolers – 307 total students.
4:10	Executive Committee, Sector Representatives (SRs) Caylee, Youth SR: iDFY Leadership Academy takeaways Danielle, Youth Serving SR: (responded, no updates) David, Substance Abuse SR: Yoonwa (or Tiffany), School SR: Jake, Religious SR: Earl, Parent SR: (responded, no updates) Jordan, Media SR: Robert, Law Enforcement SR: Recruitment Night	SR Action Items: help promote Rx Take-back (flyers available), schedule annual 1 on 1 check-ins (Caylee) Attended IDFY Academy. Good time and I was able to get out of my comfort zone. A lot of fun. Met Marco there. Elks PSA is almost done, just editing it. (Kendall) Hailey and I met with Syler and Caylee to talk about IDFY and their experience they had. Summit coming up, scholarships available. Explore starting a chapter or becoming an ambassador. (Marco) the iDFY Executive Director, Marika Gagnon lives in Boise. (Danielle) In the Pines, a virtual networking group, is a partnership between Northpoint Recovery and Eagle Creek Ranch. The first Monday of the month, the next one is April 7 th at 10AM. We always have a presenter for the next meeting which is an alumni. Cooper Lyons will explain the importance of alumni and the purpose of an alumni program. RSVP to Justin Hunter . Teams Log-in Meeting ID: 244 108 685 706, Passcode: HM98Fm7t (David) Absent. (Yoonwa or Tiffany) -Tiffany- invited MADC to EMS Reality town. Absent. (Jake) No updates. Excited to continue on the CEC and trying to find a pastor or someone in the faith community to help fill the role of Faith Sector Representative. (Earl) will help at Communities for Youth Teen Take-Over 3/28. No updates. (Jordan) finalizing Rx media release. Kendall and I will be at Nazca Coffee and will be doing a Live Channel 2 interview. They will do a story on the HIPS trailer at a later time. (Earl) Where is this coffee shop? (Hailey) Chinden between Locus and Meridian. (Robert) Hailey and I had an MADC table at Mountain View’s freshman orientation and sports activity night. Good conversations and fun to hang with students (70 prevention conversations). (Kendall) We’ve been working with



	<p>Brenda, Healthcare SR: R4BHB Updates</p> <p>Kati, Government SR: various updates</p>	<p>SROs on how to keep trends on trailer walls current. Robert has been sending pictures of vapes to help with this task. We created a FB post with those pictures.</p> <p>(Brenda) As of this morning, all the positions on the board are full, except for a representative from Adult Corrections. Thank you to Danielle and Kendall who are now serving on the board. In April, I will present a R4BHB update to the Behavioral Health Planning Council. May is Mental Health Awareness Month and Children’s Mental Health Awareness week. Families and Youth of Idaho is having an awareness fair and want more family involvement. 23 families already RSVP’d. 100 tickets to the Zoo available. It will be the 17th of May at Boise Brickhouse. I’ll send a digital Save the Date for meeting minutes (not received). We’d love to have MADC as a vendor. If anyone is interested in being on the R4BHB please let me know. (Kendall) Can you share who the R4BHB law enforcement representative is? (Brenda) Sam Luque with the Meridian Police Department Crisis Intervention Team.</p> <p>(Kati) CDH is giving out IDFY Summit scholarships. (Marco) There will be a great speaker this year from Atlanta, GA. (Caylee) I have a schedule conflict and can’t attend, but I will share the information. (Kati) the ID Public TV PSA contest is still open for submissions. Caylee, please share the video that you are making for the Elks. Went to Eagle Middle School with Hailey. Also went to Crossroads Middle School, had a table there with swag. Students had to answer two questions regarding mental health. I am excited to compile data from Reality Town and give it to Tiffany to share how prevention efforts are going in the schools. April 22 we are partnering with Unaltered State to hold a film screening at WASD. Our goal is to have 90 people there. Free tacos for families, there will be gift-cards available. If parents and families come, they can talk prevention over dinner. We’ll have resource tables, MADC will be there. Tobacco Compliance Checks, Earl and I had a conversation trying to come up with why we aren’t doing shoulder taps with retail shops and vape shops. Federal does it in Idaho but not a lot of operations are being done. (Marco) A couple tobacco bills proposed, we are still working on them. (Kati) The language for this bill says local law enforcement can do compliance checks. Health and Welfare has an individual taking over the ID tobacco project, ISP gives money to this project for law enforcement to contract with them to do shoulder taps. (Marco) They told us, they wanted to have 17 yr olds to do shoulder taps. (Danielle) Is the tobacco age 21 now, right? (Earl) Yes. (Kendall) I think the bill you are referring to is HB244 (Marco) We are still doing a lot of work on tobacco legislation. (Kati) It was the Clean Indoor Air Act. (Brenda) Do you know why there is opposition, and they didn’t want to tax vapes? (Marco) We’ll talk after. (Robert) Was there any talk about raising the fine higher than \$74? (Marco) Trying to move away from giving youth tickets. We don’t want young people to get into the system. It is important with the millennium fund, to divert to community assessment centers. (Kendall) Similar to Alive at 25. (Robert) Alive at 25 is a diversion program. A youth gets a speeding violation, they take the class, and the prosecutor will usually dismiss the infraction once the youth receive the certification. (Marco) It’s an upstream approach and Idaho is the only state doing this as a prevention technique. Served 3500 families. (Danielle) The youth still must choose diversion/class over a ticket/fine. (Marco) It is a</p>
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	<p>Susie, Civic SR:</p> <p>Anne, Business SR:</p>	<p>dangling carrot, we still have charges, the prosecutor has the power. We are doing it with women incarcerated with substance use. 77% of women incarcerated in ID is for drug crimes. Do an alternative type of sentence. That's the treatment. (Robert) The kid getting a citation, is it \$1500 total cost? (Marco) Yes, once you factor everything else in, that is the total cost. That same \$1500 can serve one kid for 6 months through an assessment center. (Danielle) Northpoint is working with ID Juvenile Justice and contracting with them to work with our teen program. (Susie) One question, is there such a thing as a \$1500 fine for one child? (Robert) No, it is always \$74. (Marco) Where does that money go? What is the intervention? (Robert) No idea where it goes, unless you catch someone selling a vape, it's a \$200 fine. (Kendall) As far as the violations, there are classes within WASD. (Danielle) We contract with them as well. (Kati) Will share the link for WASD partnership. (Marco) They used to suspend kids, but that's not what we want. (Susie) Want to get more involvement with the Hoop Shoot. Want to get more interest in the poster contest. (Marco) Did you get the trailer from BYDC? (Kendall) Yes. (Anne) No updates.</p>
<p>4:30</p>	<p>Kendall:</p> <p>Satisfaction Survey & Volunteer Nominations, Luncheon 4/17,</p> <p>1 on 1 Meetings, Move Night Sponsor, Unplug & Be Outside, Legislation,</p>	<p>(staff) web updates, order supplies, update documents, prep trailer for <i>Hidden in Plain Sight</i> Drug Awareness program, track legislation, schedule 1 on 1 check-ins and summer events (all) volunteers needed for events on 4/12, 5/17, 5/22, 5/23 and Rx Take-back resource bag assembly (date TBD, please email if you are interested in helping) It is time for everyone to participate in the Annual Satisfaction Survey and Volunteer of the Year nominations. Your input helps guide the coalitions work, please complete the survey. April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and City Hall is hosting an Appreciation Luncheon April 17th from 11:30-1PM, everyone is invited. Please RSVP by April 10th. We will celebrate at the MADC meeting as well. Staff will continue to schedule 1-on-1 check-ins and set goals for the year ahead. We are looking for a sponsor for Movie Night. The date is August 8th. \$600 to sponsor, would like to have the trailer at the event. Unplug and Be Outside, Monte Stiles is leading his photography class. Staff is not available so we would love a MADC volunteer to represent. May 10th 6PM – 7PM. Kati will volunteer. (The date changed to the 17th, Hailey will be there.) Legislation update: Marco, thank you for your prevention advocacy as well as being an advocate for youth throughout Idaho. (Marco) Serving on the legislature over the last couple years has been great. (Kendall) We had a question regarding the possession of marijuana \$300 fine and those who are 18 or younger. A person under the age of 18 would be petitioned for this charge in the juvenile court system rather than the adult court system. There is a potential the judge handling the case could enter the charge into the diversion program and the juvenile avoids penalty, but ultimately if the juvenile is convicted of the crime they are bound to the same criteria as an adult would be. In other words, they would be held to the \$300 minimum fine. (Marco) We exempted the juveniles because the law wouldn't have passed if they were included in there. (Earl) Is this something for first offense for juveniles? (Marco) it is up to the judges. (Robert) knowing the judges, it sounds like that will be the case. (Susie) is it for 18 and under? (Marco) No 18 and older. (Earl) when I was an SRO, it seems like juveniles were just going into the</p>



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	<p>Smokescreen Discussion</p> <p>Upcoming: Meridian Senior Center 3/27, ICOM Health Fair 3/29, Mountain View Presentations 4/1-2, Do the Right Fair 4/10, Mainstreet Market Kick-off 4/12, Rx Take-back 4/26, *Unplug & Be Outside 5/17, *Public Works Week Expo 5/22, *Summer Reading Kick-off 5/23 (* = volunteer needed)</p>	<p>system. (Marco) The fine is now more for possession of marijuana than it is for Domestic Violence. But the goal is to show Idaho is not pro-marijuana. We just don't want a ballot initiative happening. H401 is a Medical Marijuana bill that was introduced. (Kendall) unless anyone has any questions. I'd like to take some time to talk about Smokescreen. I'd like feedback on what topics you think are most important to educate constituents on. (Susie) What Marijuana has done in the communities, how they are trashed. Show adults, this is what is going to happen with legalization. The other one was the revenue. (Marco) Colorado is putting in \$8 in for every dollar going out. (Kati) These other states, the cost of the social aspect is far higher than what the state could achieve. Impaired driving accidents, mental health outcomes, and the black market stuck out to me. Dispensaries setup, but it increases the black market in those locations. (Anne) it makes them produce more because the price goes down. (Jake) what today's marijuana actually is. I have a relative that smokes regularly. He is dealing with medical issues but smoking gives him 'relief'. My family members do not understand what today's marijuana is and how potent it is. I don't think people understand that marijuana today is an entirely different breed. The kids are going to hit a 90% concentrate. (Robert) That's why students have seizures and vomit in school. (Jake) my relative has epilepsy, and smokes because of that. People truly believe there is no correlation between seizures and smoking. (Danielle) And it's 'non-addictive' according to what people say. (Marco) They finally are acknowledging there is psychosis. (Kati) Cultural shift, going to medical providers and trusting medical providers. I would encourage. (Earl) Medical marijuana, there is no other drug that we have voted in. (Marco) there are 4 FDA approved medications with chemicals from the cannabis plant available in Idaho, Epidiolex is just one. (Kendall) I would like to know more about how doctors prescribe off-label. There are medications that contain THC, THC and CBD, and just CBD. (Marco) some of the legislators own those shops. (Earl) I think the intro should be in there. Make sure people know we are talking about Idaho. (Hailey) I agree with Earl, the emphasis on Idaho is important. (Robert) Today's Marijuana as an intro, how potent it is. Impaired driving portion of it. Mental Health, the psychosis. Legalized marijuana but show how it has not worked for other states and what we can do about it. (Marco) can buy these things over the counter, two things are legal and you can mix them. People know what to do to get those exact effects. (Earl) Most of the people who are drug-tested are also testing for other substances as well.</p>
4:50	<p>Open Discussion: community partner announcements</p>	<p>ICOM Health fair coming up. One volunteer needed for Do the Right Fair at Meridian Middle School, others needed to help promote the RX take-back (drop off flyers). Idaho PTA event that will have Officer Gomez. More Social Less Media, April 26th. (Kati) is that the one after the Anxious Generation? (Kendall) Yes. Click here to see Idaho Office of Drug Policy's legislative updates. Training Opportunities: Virtual Cannabis Conference 4/10&11, ICADD 5/20&21</p>
<p>5:00pm Adjourn Meeting April is Alcohol & Cannabis Awareness Month and Volunteer Appreciation Month Next MADC Meeting April 17, 2025 General Meeting at 4PM (Reminder: June meeting is cancelled due to Juneteenth holiday.)</p>		

Our mission is to strengthen our community through substance abuse prevention.
Our vision is to build Meridian into a drug free community where people can safely live, work and raise a family.