



OPIOID ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission

Meeting Agenda

January 9, 2024, 1:00 p.m. ET

Capital Complex East, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, KY 40601

MINUTES

Members Present: Christopher Evans, Chair (in person), Karen Butcher (in person), Carlos Cameron (in person), Patricia Freeman (via zoom), Secretary Friedlander (in person), Van Ingram (in person), Treasurer Metcalf (in person), Von Purdy (in person), and Jason Roop (in person).

Members Absent: Representative Danny Bentley and Vic Brown

Staff Present: Alison Chavies and Jessie Halladay

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Evans called the Kentucky Opioid Abatement Advisory Commission (KYOAAC) meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

II. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

Secretary Friedlander moved to adopt the January 9, 2024, agenda. Von Purdy seconded, and the motion carried.

III. BUSINESS MEETING SCHEDULE

1. February 13, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
2. March 12, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
3. April 9, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
4. May 14, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
5. June 11, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

**** All business meetings will take place at 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, KY 40601**

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Chair Evans welcomed Treasurer Mark Metcalf to the Commission. Treasurer Metcalf provided background information as it related to opioid use disorder and expressed his excitement with joining the Commission.

Chair Evans provided some background with his career as it relates to the Commission's work, and expressed his excitement to be part of the good work they have and continue to perform. In addition, he announced Vic Brown's resignation as the Law Enforcement representative from the Commission.



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V. MINUTES

1. December 13, 2023, Business Meeting

Van Ingram moved to approve the December 13, 2023, minutes. Karen Butcher seconded, and the motion carried.

VI. SUBCOMMITTEE BREAKOUTS

1. Treatment and Recovery
2. Prevention, Reform and Compliance

1:12 p.m. – Treasurer Metcalf moved to dismiss to the subcommittee meetings. Von Purdy seconded, and the motion carried.

Chair Evans dismissed the Commission members to their subcommittee groups.

1:57 p.m. – Treasurer Metcalf moved to return to the scheduled business meeting of the KYOAAC. Secretary Friedlander seconded, and the motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Treatment and Recovery Application Review Meeting

Van Ingram announced Treatment and Recovery Subcommittee voted and approved February 9th 1 – 3 pm, February 23rd and March 20th at 10 am as application review meetings. The meetings will be located at 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Van Ingram moved to approve the Treatment and Recovery Subcommittee Application Review meeting as discussed. Jason Roop seconded, and the motion carried.

2. Consideration of Prevention Application Review Meeting

Von Purdy announced Prevention, Reform, and Compliance Subcommittee voted and approved February 5th, 26th, and March 11th and 25th, at 10:00 am as application review meetings. The meetings will be located at 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Von Purdy moved to approve the Prevention Subcommittee Application Review meeting as discussed. Secretary Friedlander seconded, and the motion carried.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REMARKS

Nancy Blackford expressed her support for Ibogaine due to the loss of her son. Why are we doing to same thing and getting the same results. Try something new.

Athena Banister-Short expressed her support for Ibogaine.



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Katelyn Tudor, BSN, RN, Unexpected Blessings, expressed her support and new opportunities with Ibogaine.

Henry Lucas, KY Harm Reduction Coalition, expressed his support for Ibogaine. Says Kentucky deserves options.

Shreeta Waldon, KY Harm Reduction Coalition, introduced herself and spoke on several matters.

Reverend Larry Blackford expressed his support for Ibogaine and urged the Commission to support Ibogaine for those hurting and try something new.

Lori Cook, member of Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, urged the need for the Commission to support Ibogaine and invest in the research.

Gene Butcher, Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL), PAL Facilitator urged the Commission to support Ibogaine. There is a disconnect between treatment and aftercare.

Tracey Griffith expressed her support for Ibogaine.

Tony Haun, a person in long term recovery, expressed how the system is broken after treatment, and how there are no resources for aftercare, and that recovery houses are not safe. He asked the Commission to put others above their self when making decisions.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

2:43 p.m. Treasurer Metcalf moved to adjourn the scheduled business meeting of the KYOAAC. Von Purdy seconded, and the motion carried.