



**Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition General Meeting Minutes**  
**Meridian Police Department**  
**February 16, 2017**

**Attendees (23):** Kendall Nagy, Cheryl Mulvihill, Stephany Galbreath, Joy Strayer, Jodi St-Martin, Gina Huang, Kathlene Bailey, Jeff Crabtree, Robyn Ure, Monte Stiles, Nichole Harold, Scott Colaianni, Rocky Detwiler, Natalie Marti, Howard Davis, Spencer Martin, Bob Allison, Earl Scharff, Deborah LaFond, Kristi Lampe, Corey Suber, Patty Davis, Chakoma Haiudari

TIME	SPEAKER	MINUTES
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>• Earl Scharff motion, Officer Allison second, all approve minutes</li> </ul>
4:05	Guest Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corey Surber   Director, State Advocacy   Trinity Health   Saint Alphonsus: Tobacco 21</li> <li>• Jodi St-Martin   Community Relations Specialist   City of Meridian: MYAC Collaboration</li> </ul>	<p>Goal: strengthen current policies to prevent obesity and tobacco usage. T21 is working on changing the legal age to purchase tobacco from 18 to 21. Once a teenager enters the age 18 to 21 use of tobacco changes from recreation to addiction. Some 18 year olds are still in High School and become suppliers to other students that aren't 17 and under. Only two states, Hawaii and California, have passed this health law and 200 Cities have changed municipal ordinances.</p> <p>Last June four of our Republican Legislators attended a conference that was co-hosted by The Center for Disease Control, discussing winnable battles on health policy. Tobacco 21 is a winnable battle towards Health Policy. These Legislators want to co-sponsor this effort. With that, a State level strategy has been established.</p> <p>Bill sponsor is being introduced to Senate State of Affairs tomorrow, February 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 8am. The hearing date will be March 1<sup>st</sup> if everything goes accordingly. This policy will take decades to see the cost and life savings as opposed to something that would give immediate reward, so it's more difficult to get passed with current House and Senate.</p> <p>Primary argument: "If we are able to send our teens off to War at 18, why are we able to stop them from using tobacco at 18?"</p> <p>Answer: While the Military Argument seems to be strong, we will stick to the health facts. (see attached 21 Reasons document for facts)</p> <p>The Bill that is being heard tomorrow has minimal changes to the current bill: Took existing statute and raised it to 21. Everywhere it said "minor" changed to "21." In addition, the bill addresses</p>

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		<p>signage in retailers to say 21 vs 18.</p> <p>Monte: “Is the definition of E-cigarette broad enough to include any electronic devise?” – Yes</p> <p>The verbiage within large tobacco companys says that 18-21 year olds and the military is a captive audience. We can learn a lot from those within that age demographic. Youth have a huge impact with this; in Hawaii they were key contributors in passing the bill.</p> <p>Joy: “what kind of feedback is this bill receiving from retailers?” - None so far. There has been no formal discussion yet, but we know this is a gradual impact and the fiscal impact is minor. State Tobacco tax revenue is not expected to go down more than 1%. All we can do is reassure our retailers, based on statistics from other markets in areas this bill has been passed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• description of liaison responsibilities- Kendall &amp; Jodi</li> </ul> <p>Jodi: Started six weeks ago with the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council. Jodi’s Degree is within Social Work. As the community liaison for the City of Meridian, she recognizes the need for partnerships within the community. Jodi will be working with MADC this Summer to organize the collaboration. The Mayor wants the Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council to develop leadership skills; this is a positive way to accomplish that.</p> <p>Kendall: One of the goals is to have information dissemination regarding MADC efforts to the MYAC liaisons, who then will share it with the Meridian High and Middle Schools.</p>
4:30	SRO Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School Resource Officer Allison:</li> </ul> <p>Officer Allison is the current SRO at Rocky Mountain High School. The prior four years he worked within the Meridian alternative schools. This year Officer Allison has caught roughly 25 teenagers with marijuana. In addition to his responsibilities as an SRO, Officer Allison is on the bike patrol unit during the summer. From his perspective in the community, the main focus is E-cigarettes rather than cigarettes. E-Cigarettes are a lot more difficult to detect; can’t smell.</p> <p>A student who was issued an alcohol ticket last week discussed with Office Allison that marijuana is a lot easier to get than alcohol.</p> <p>The SRO’s, Kendall, Monte, and Sergeant Harper have been working on a Middle school prevention presentation. Most of the students that are being caught with marijuana are 9<sup>th</sup> graders in High school, and say they started in 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Our impact focus will be the Middle School ages</p>

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		<p>with this power point. This power point is a great example of collaboration working with the SRO's. Receiving feedback from those who work with youth day in and day out help insure youth are able to hear us more accurately. The power point is not only about educating youth on the dangers of drugs. It's discussing tools and resources to help them take responsibility for their choices. Kendall will be running through the power point and having drug prevention conversations with Heritage Middle School Life Skills classes all day on Tuesday, February 21, 2017. There will be roughly 250 students.</p> <p>Robyn: At the Boys and Girls Club, middle school age kids struggle with low self-esteem. They are looking for acceptance no matter what group it is. Sometimes all that 12 and 13 year olds need is a good example who is a little older.</p> <p>Jodi: Peer to Peer youth engagement is very impactful.</p> <p>SRO Allison: Teaches Alive at 25. During this class those who are 18-25 give true examples of why they are in the class. Hearing true examples from those who are in line with their age is helpful.</p>
4:40	Monte Stiles, Policy & Initial Point Updates	<p>Monte: Nationally Monte is cautiously optimistic. There is a lot that can happen with Jeff Sessions. The Attorney General is on board with pushing us towards drug education. We will know more once we see who the FDA chairman will be.</p> <p>Monte is helping with a youth led project involving the Initial Point. Initial Point is the starting point of all surveying for the entire state. The idea is to have youth at initial point, talking about how they will impact the state towards drug prevention. A drone has been secured for this project. MADC is working with youth from Rocky Mountain broadcasting class. These teens are able to take ownership throughout the planning, visuals, and marketing. This has the possibility to gain national attention if the project is owned by the youth.</p> <p>Idaho Legislation: Pot reform looks like it will be a hemp centric bill: It discusses how Idaho can make a lot of money producing hemp and low level CBD oil.</p> <p>Monte hasn't seen the bill yet but he will keep MADC updated.</p>
4:50	Kendall Nagy, MADC Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabin Fever Reliever</li> <li>• Legislator Updates</li> </ul>	<p>Cabin Fever Reliever: We had great engagement with community members. Plenty of space for the #NaturalHigh booth. Many notMYkid drug kits were handed out. We had over 258 conversations with community members during the event.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unplug &amp; Be Outside April 22-30th</li> <li>• Rx Take-Back April 29th</li> <li>• CCI Training March 7&amp;8</li> </ul>	<p>Kids First Cast did a wonderful job hosting; it was smoothly ran and a great success!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• letter to local legislators- Kendall &amp; Mayor's Office</li> </ul> <p>Kendall and the Mayor's Office collaborated to put together a letter for the Mayor to present to Legislators, along with an attachment that listed facts relating to CBD Oil and Marijuana Enforcement. (see attachment list)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unplug and Be Outside kickoff event: Kendall is working on organizing volunteers for the Natural High Booth. Monte is looking into doing a photo excursion to expose youth to nature and photography during the Unplug &amp; Be Outside City event. This is a very productive class to discuss #NaturalHigh.</li> <li>• National DEA RX Take- Back: April 29<sup>th</sup> at St Luke's in Meridian. Crime Stoppers will offer free shredding.</li> </ul> <p>In addition, There are many trainings coming up this Spring; a reminder those who are part of the CEC, these trainings can be reimbursed by MADC. Talk with Kendall for more information.</p>
4:55	Members & Guests: updates on MADC mission efforts and community events.	<p>Lieutenant Colaianni: Taught Servant Leadership to Leadership Meridian on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. He will be doing Facebook live with the Meridian Library regarding his choice of reads relating to Servant Leadership.</p> <p>Natalie: Had a meeting today with Ken Corder that went very well. Working on the funding portion for Think Twice Middle School conference to be held in 2018.</p> <p>Rocky: visited the Nampa Mayors Youth Advisory Council, helping them work through some leadership skills. The focus is suicide prevention.</p> <p>Robyn: Keep Robyn in mind for specific needs with youth. Interested in the initial point project.</p> <p>Patty: Started coming on a personal level, but this has built a lot of collaboration with local businesses. She will be taking back the 21 Reasons document to her work. She also brought additional information on the Tobacco Free Living- Family Center.</p> <p>Jodi: Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup> Coffee with the Mayor at Harley Davidson. Great opportunity to be seen and heard.</p>
<p><b>5:00pm Meeting Adjourned. Thank you for being an active part of MADC, working to prevent substance abuse in our community!</b></p>		

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