

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

RANDOLPH COUNTY OPIOID MEETING

The first group meeting was called to order at the James F. Cain Court House Annex, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024 at 3:00 PM by Commissioner Kesling.

**Present:** David Kesling, Cris Siler, Chris See, Brad Sharp, Sherri Collett, Erin Golden, Elizabeth Shahan, Ritchie Shyrock, Melinda Lott

**Absent:** Rob Elbon, Michael Parker, Shelby Wilson, Amanda Smith

**Discussion:** The meeting began with introductions and Mr. Kesling informed everyone of the purpose of the meeting which was to inform everyone how much money the group has received and to get ideas on how that money can be used, and to come up with a plan of action. Kesling stated that the group has received their biggest allotment but smaller amount would come in and that there are rules and regulations on how they can spend it. He stated how other counties are spending their portions. Elizabeth gave an update of what surrounding counties were doing with some of their money. Each member talked about the drug problems that exists in the community and how they could get the best bang for their buck with the funds they have available.

**Listed below are the ideas that were discussed:**

County Jail Bill

Little League Fields Elkins

Softball Field Mill Creek

Harman Community

Pickens Community

Reimbursement of evidence-based programs in schools (Life skills, PALS, DARE/Keepin' it REAL, Not on Tobacco)

Community-based services like transportation

Training for parents during sports practices

**Action:** Each member said they would go back and research these ideas for the next meeting.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Minutes submitted by:** Melinda Lott

**Minutes approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_

# **Randolph County Opioid Committee**

## **Meeting Minutes**

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### **I. Call to order**

David Kesling called to order the regular meeting of the Randolph County Opioid Committee at 3:00 pm on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at County Commission Chambers in the James Cain Annex.

### **II. Roll call**

Those attending were David Kesling, Chris See, Cris Siler, Erin Golden, Deputy Richard Swisher, Shelby Wilson, and Melinda Lott.

### **III. Discussion**

Swisher spoke for Rob Elbon and Brad Sharp about the possibility of spending Opioid funds on LPR's. He also had an update about the DARE Program and the cost to get that program up and running again in this county. Sharp is working with Deputy Rocky Hebb on possible programs.

Wilson talked about how important recovery is. She suggested the group should brainstorm ideas to support recovery. The county needs resources for people going through recovery, for instance places to meet.

Kesling discussed possibly helping the homeless and received feedback from the group.

The next meeting is to be held on September 5th, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

### **IV. Adjournment**

David Kesling adjourned the meeting at 4:05 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Melinda Lott

Minutes approved by: