

Randolph County Opioid Settlement Advisory Board

Minutes

Date: March 19, 2026

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location: Commission Annex

Call to Order

Chair David Kesling called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Roll Call / Attendance

Present:

David Kesling, Rob Elbon, Erin Golden, Michael Parker, Shelby Wilson, Sherri Collett, Kurt Gainer

A quorum was confirmed.

Program Updates

Ally's Hope Recovery House – Update (Shelby Wilson)

Shelby Wilson reported that Ally's Hope currently has four residents, all of whom are doing well. Residents are employed, attending required meetings, and actively participating in 12-step programming.

Shelby noted increased operational costs during the winter months, with utilities averaging approximately \$1,050 per month. Additional expenses included replacement of a washer and dryer, partially offset by private donations. She also reported a heating issue in an upstairs room that will require repair prior to the next winter season.

Shelby discussed ongoing efforts to reach full capacity in order to sustain operations and noted that referrals continue to grow as awareness increases. She reiterated that residents are required to complete extended treatment (90–120 days) prior to admission to improve long-term success outcomes.

Board members inquired about neighborhood feedback and resident demographics. Shelby reported no negative feedback from neighbors and confirmed that current residents are from surrounding counties.

Funding Requests

Ally's Hope Recovery House

A request for funding in the amount of **\$20,000** was presented to assist with operational costs and program sustainability.

Motion: Erin Golden made a motion to approve funding in the amount of \$20,000 for Ally's Hope.

Second: Michael Parker

Vote: Unanimous approval

Randolph County Drug Task Force

A request was presented for equipment purchases for the Randolph County representative assigned to the Drug Task Force. The request included two items in the amounts of **\$1,395.00** and **\$1,495.00**.

The equipment will be used for investigative and safety purposes and will support ongoing drug enforcement operations.

Motion: Shelby Wilson made a motion to approve funding for the Drug Task Force in the amounts of \$1,395.00 and \$1,495.00.

Second: Kurt Gainer

Vote: Unanimous approval

Additional Discussion

Board members discussed the status of the Lighthouse Recovery Program. Concerns were raised regarding program structure, intake practices, and the mixing of individuals at different stages of recovery. It was noted that stronger program guidelines and admission standards may improve outcomes. No formal action was taken.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Board will be held on **June 18, 2026**.

Adjournment

Motion: Michael Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Unanimous approval

Chair David Kesling adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Lott

Randolph County Commission