

PFS II BLUEGRASS LAW ENFORCEMENT REGIONAL TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

First Christian Church of Versailles (160 Lexington Street, Versailles, KY 40383)

March 27, 2015, 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

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Attendees (23):

Bluegrass Prevention Center	Jan	Chumley
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Sharon	Tankersley
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Tara	McGuire
City of Danville, ABC Admin.	Bridgette	Lester
DBHDID	Johnnie	Woods
Transylvania Univ., Director of Public Safety	Gregg	Muravchick
Georgetown Police Dept.	Jason	Whitaker
Georgetown Police Dept.	Nick	Lodal
KY ABC	Ian k.	Thurman
KY ABC	Josh	Crain
KY ABC	Kelly	Butler
KY ABC	Margaret	Clark

KY ABC	Mike	Razor
KY ABC	Tiffany	Quarles
Lancaster Police Dept. ABC Officer	Allen	Weston
Lexington Division of Police	Jackie	Newman
Lexington Division of Police	Rodney	Sherrod
Nicholasville Police Dept.	Gary	Resor
Powell Co. SO	Kevin	Babcock
Winchester Police Dept.	Chris	Cantor
Woodford ASAP	Sandra	Watts
Woodford ASAP	Sharon	Turner
Woodford Co. Sheriff Dept.	Wayne 'Tiny'	Wright

- I. **Breakfast/ registration:** Sharon Tankersley, Bluegrass Prevention Center, asked everyone to please sign-in, and help themselves to the breakfast provided by Woodford County Sheriff Wright.
- II. **Opening remarks:** Sharon welcomed officers/ task force members, and thanked Sheriff Wright for providing breakfast.
 - A. **The next task force meeting date** was announced, law enforcement giveaways will continue to be available to law enforcement agencies in attendance:
 - **May 8, 2015, 9:00 a.m. — 10:15 a.m.**, at the Bluegrass.org Main Board Room (BLDG. 2), 1351 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY 40511. Each law enforcement department from the Bluegrass Region in attendance that has been consistently attending task force meetings will receive Breathalyzers.
- III. **Infographic Contest to Reduce Underage Drinking in Kentucky:** Tara McGuire, State Alcohol Prevention Enhancement Site (PES) Manager with the Bluegrass Prevention Center, provided information about an online statewide contest for middle and high school youth to design an original Infographic with the message “don’t drink underage” and submit at kyprevention.com. Tara explained the contest deadline to enter is March 31, and winners would be announced on April 10, 2015, on [Facebook.com/kyprevention](https://www.facebook.com/kyprevention) and [Twitter.com/kyprevention](https://twitter.com/kyprevention). She asked the law enforcement departments and other agencies in attendance to help recognize the winners of this contest by agreeing to share winning entries on their social media page/s. The following departments/ agencies signed up, and others indicated they planned to check into the possibility:
 - City of Danville, ABC
 - Georgetown Police Department
 - Kentucky ABC
 - Powell County Sheriff’s Office
 - Winchester Police Department
 - Woodford County ASAP

IV. **Enforcement Parallels Between Underage Drinking and Marijuana Legalization Training** was presented by Ed Shemelya from the National Marijuana Initiative. Mr. Shemelya discussed the addictive potential of marijuana to youth, effect of regular marijuana use on IQ, and how there are no medical benefits to smoking marijuana. He also provided information on why marijuana today is not the “weed from the 70s” due to a higher THC content and lower age of the average user. Photos of pot-infused brownies, gummy bears, and other marijuana edibles like “Keef Kat” and “Boddahfinger” were shown to illustrate how marijuana is being sold and marketed in other states where it has been legalized for medical and/or recreational use. Details about the most recent Medical Marijuana Bill that failed to pass the Kentucky General Assembly 2015 Regular Session and potential impact on enforcement were also discussed.

V. **Evaluation and Wrap-up:**

A. **Legislative Update** – Tara shared two handouts showing the outcome of substance-abuse related legislation proposed during the Kentucky General Assembly 2015 Regular Session, and briefly discussed the updates:

[CLICK HERE to view KY General Assembly 2015 Regular Session Alcohol-related Bills Update \(PDF\)](#)

- **MANDATORY IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICES** - Passed, mandates ignition interlock devices for all convicted drunk driving offenders and first time drunk driving convicted offenders with aggravating circumstances, such as excessive speeding or driving intoxicated with a child in the vehicle
- **THREE TIER SYSTEM** – Passed, closes a loophole in current laws to prohibit brewers/ producers from obtaining distributor licenses
- **POWDERED AND VAPORIZED ALCOHOL REGULATIONS** - Failed to pass
- Tara announced the **Social Host Ordinance in Junction City (Boyle County)** was recently added to the list of statewide underage drinking prevention ordinances maintained online at www.kyprevention.com. The **Bluegrass Region is now home to 7 of the 12 Keg Registration Ordinances, 8 of 28 Social Host Ordinances, and 13 of the 78 Responsible Beverage Server Training Ordinances** statewide.

B. **Survey/ Evaluation** -- Sharon requested everyone fill out a *Barriers Surveys*, and Tara asked attendees to complete a survey on utilization of the toolkit and an evaluation of today’s meeting. The results of the task force evaluation/ survey are as follows:

- 17 attendees participated in the evaluation/ survey.
- **87.5% utilized Fatal Vision Goggles (14 of 16)**, and indicated they used them 57 times.
- **31% utilized the toolkit and flash-drive (4 of 13)**, and indicated they used them 5 times for PPT for high school, as a resource for other PowerPoints, and to look through for general learning and information. Two respondents indicated they had utilized the toolkit in a presentation for crime prevention education and in middle school and high school classrooms.
- **100% indicated the information presented today was very useful (17 of 17).**
- **Attendees learned:** “the statistics and science”, “evolution of the concentration levels of THC”, “how dangerous marijuana actually is”, “how marijuana is being hidden in foods”, “BHO Labs”, and “the negative efforts of legalizing marijuana and how to prevent it”.
- **People least liked:** “trouble reading a few of the slides of Ed’s presentation”
- **People liked best:** “presenter was good”, “learning the truth behind the proposed legislation”, “info/ new point of contact”, “collaboration”, “knowing where to reach out to get more information on the topic”, “it was relevant to what we deal with”, and “great breakfast! Thank you.”
- **Suggestions for other training/ discussion topics that would be useful to agencies in the enforcement of underage drinking laws/ ordinances:** “how to use current social media to investigate parties, events, sources, etc.” [\[Click here for Source Investigations Free Online UDETC Distant Learning Course\]](#)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES - UDETC Distant Learning Courses: (click below)

- [Conducting Compliance Check Operations](#)
- [Environmental Strategies](#)
- [Party Prevention and Controlled Party Dispersal](#)
- [Techniques for Managing Special Events](#)
- [Source Investigations](#)
- [Using Community Volunteers to Support Prevention & Enforcement of Underage Drinking \(NEW\)](#)

C. **Law Enforcement Giveaways/ Incentives** – Each member of law enforcement attending today’s meeting was entered in a drawing, and two \$100 and two \$50 Gall’s Gift Cards were awarded.

VI. **Next Meeting:** Friday, May 8, 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. at the Bluegrass.org Main Board Room. Further information will be distributed via email and available at www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass/.

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