

**PFS II BLUEGRASS LAW ENFORCEMENT REGIONAL TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES**

**Bluegrass Prevention Center (1351 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY 40511-1278)**

**May 8, 2015, 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

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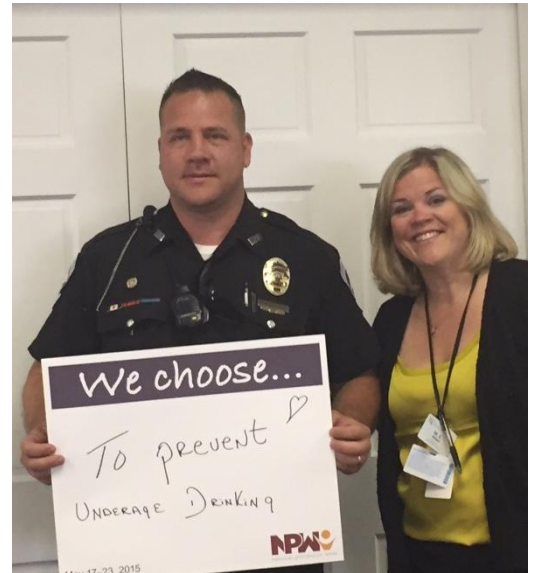
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**Attendees (24):**

Anderson Co. Sheriff's Office	Taylor	Bryan
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Chumley	Jan
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Kilby	Nick
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Kobes	M.E.
Bluegrass Prevention Center	McGuire	Tara
Bluegrass Prevention Center	Tankersley	Sharon
Transylvania University DPS	Muravchick	Gregg
Fayette Co. ASAP Board	Aull	Marisa
Georgetown Police Dept.	Brun	Ray
KSP/ Post 12 Frankfort	Harwood	Todd
KSP/ Richmond	Purdy	Robert
KY ABC	Clark	Margaret

KY ABC	Crain	Josh
KY ABC	Doane	Michael
KY ABC	Newell	Steve
KY ABC	Razor	Mike
KY ABC	Thurman	Ian k.
Lancaster Police Department	Weston	Allen
Lexington Division of Police	Harrison	Phillip
Lexington Police Department	Sherrod	Rodney
Mercer County Sheriff's Dept.	Cruce	Bill
Powell County Sheriff's Dept.	Townsend	Mike
Winchester Police Department	Cantor	Chris
Woodford Co. Sheriff's Dept.	Carter	Joe

- I. **Breakfast/ registration:** M.E. Kobes, Bluegrass Prevention Center Director, asked everyone to please sign-in, and help themselves to the breakfast.
- II. **Opening remarks:** M.E. Kobes welcomed officers/ task force members, and distributed information about SAMHSA’s National Prevention Week May 17-23, 2015 and encouraged everyone to participate.
- III. **Kentucky Alcohol Laws: Part II Training** was presented by Investigator Manager Michael Doane from the [Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control](#) (KY ABC). The training discussed Palcohol, the first commercialized powdered alcohol substance set to go on sale in the U.S. this summer. Many U.S. states have passed legislation banning the powdered alcohol substance. Mr. Doane said the KY ABC is seeking to pass legislation to regulate powdered alcohol products in the future.



The presentation also focused on the process to testify at Administrative Hearings held at the KY ABC office, including useful tips to law enforcement like when testifying to bring plenty of evidence, keep gestures to a minimum, limit background noise like pen clicks that might get picked up by the microphone, and to listen to each question asked and answer only that question.

Mr. Doane explained to officers that if they had an alcohol case in their county to contact the KY ABC investigators for more information on what to charge. He also said the KY ABC has diagrams of every licensed KY alcohol establishment they can share with law enforcement, and reminded everyone the KY ABC is accepting applications

for 15-17 or 18-20 year olds who might want to participate in compliance checks as an investigative aid. Investigative aids are paid \$12.50 per hour, and can apply at [www.abc.ky.gov](http://www.abc.ky.gov).

IV. **Bluegrass Law Enforcement Task Force Outstanding Service Awards:** M.E. Kobes recognized the following agencies and individuals with an Outstanding Service Award for their commitment to reduce underage drinking and support of the Bluegrass Law Enforcement Regional Task Force. All of those who received an award have participated in at least five of the seven task force meetings between August 2013 and March 27, 2015. Tara McGuire, Alcohol Prevention Enhancement Site Manager with the Bluegrass Prevention Center, also distributed a press release recognizing the below individuals and agencies to local news media agencies and through social media. A copy of this media release is available at [www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass](http://www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass).

**INDIVIDUAL OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS:**

- Bill Cruce, Mercer County Sheriff's Office
- Bridgette Lester, City of Danville
- Jason Whitaker, Georgetown Police Department
- Josh Crain, Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
- Kevin Babcock, Powell County Sheriff's Department
- Sharon Turner, Woodford County ASAP Board/ Midway Council
- Steve Newell, Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
- Tiffany Quarles, Kentucky Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control



**DEPARTMENT/ AGENCY OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS:**

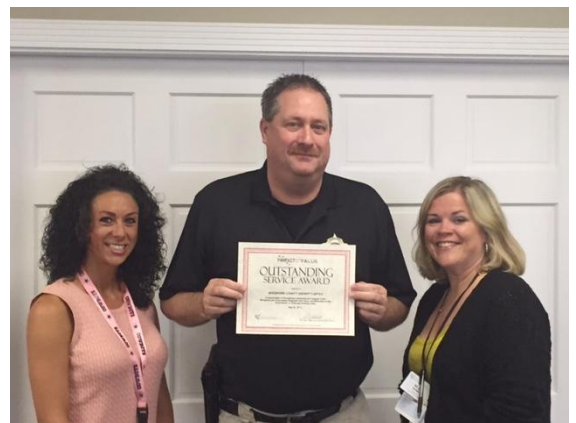
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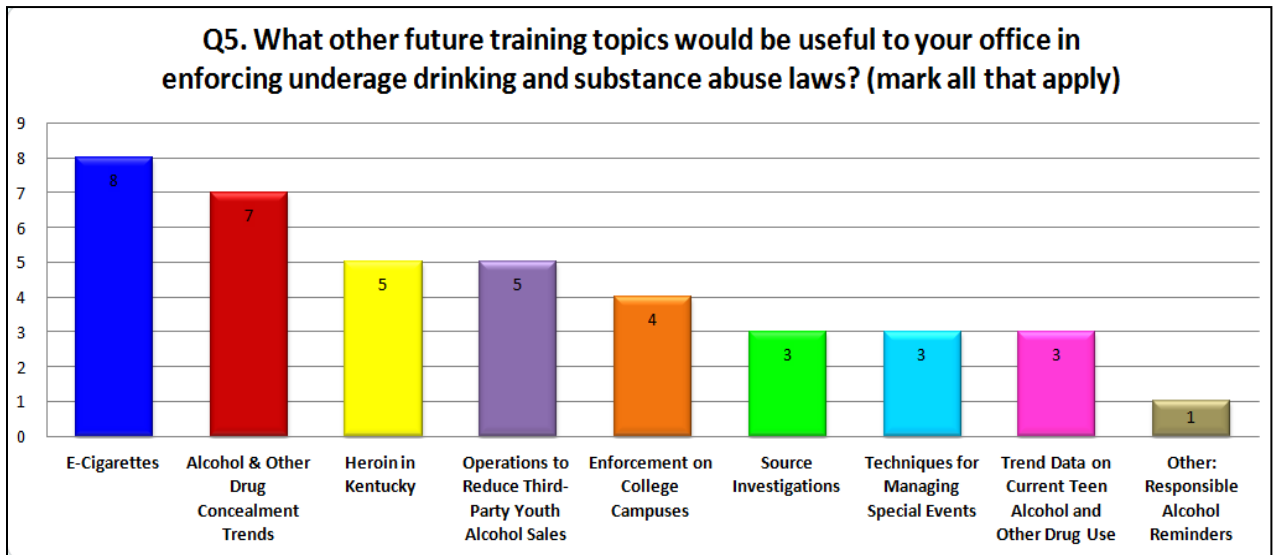
V. **Evaluation and Wrap-up:**

A. **Survey/ Evaluation** – Tara McGuire 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:

- 16 attendees participated in all or part of the evaluation/ survey.
- **29% (4 of 14) utilized the toolkit** available at [www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass](http://www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass) or as previously provided to task force participants on a flash-drive. 25% (3 of 12) indicated they had used the toolkit information in a presentation for audiences, such as, "a group of CEOs, talking with the schools about prevention, and ghost outs/ G.L.A.D."
- **73% (11 of 15) indicated the information presented today on KY Alcohol Laws: Part II was very useful, and 27% (4 of 15) said the information was somewhat useful.**



- **Attendees learned:** ABC Functions, new/ on-going strategies, administrative process of alcohol (ABC) hearings, laws update, ABC can use law enforcement’s citations to hold a business responsible, court presentation, resources available from ABC Investigators, information about testimony, and powdered alcohol information.
- **People least liked:** too much administrative information, lack of clear objectives, and parts of the PowerPoint.
- **People liked best:** healing process, networking, quick flow, presentation/ PowerPoint, learning how the ABC works, and the simplicity of the information presented.
- **Suggestions for other training/ discussion topics that would be useful to agencies in the enforcement of underage drinking and substance abuse laws:**



- 50% (8 of 16) indicated *E-Cigarettes*
- 44% (7 of 16) indicated *Alcohol and Other Drug Concealment Trends and Identifiers*
- 31% (5 of 16) indicated *Operations to Reduce Third-Party Sales of Alcohol to Underage Youth*
- 31% (5 of 16) indicated *Heroin in Kentucky*
- 25% (4 of 16) indicated *Enforcement on College Campuses*
- 19% (3 of 16) indicated *Source Investigations*
- 19% (3 of 16) indicated *Techniques for Managing Special Events*
- 19% (3 of 16) indicated *Trend Data on Current Teen Alcohol and Other Drug Use*
- 6% (1 of 16) marked *Other: Responsible Alcohol Reminders*

B. **Law Enforcement Giveaways/ Incentives** – Each law enforcement department in attendance from the Bluegrass Region that had been consistently attending task force meetings received a Breathalyzer.

VI. **Next Meeting:** Further information will be distributed this summer via email and available at [www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass/](http://www.kyprevention.com/projects/bluegrass/).

All attendees were encouraged to pick-up their free copy of the Kentucky Beverage Journal, courtesy of Midway Publications as they left.