

ADLC DUI Task Force Board Meeting
December 10, 2015 – 10 a.m.
118 E. 7th Street, Suite 2D

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:04am by Chief Tim Barkell.

Roll Call

Board Members in attendance: **Tim Barkell**, Chief of Law Enforcement; **Ben Krakowka**, County Attorney; **Joanne Heaney**, Victim's Witness Advocate representative; **Keith Lopez**, Western Montana Mental Health Chemical Addiction Counselor; **Patricia Mulvey**, ADLC Commissioner; and **Heidi Nielsen**, Citizen-at-Large and DFC Project Director.

Public Attendees: **Bill Sather**, Assistant Chief of Law Enforcement; **Michelle Harrington**, Tri-County Addiction Services; **Matthew Buerkle**, DFC Project Coordinators; and **Karen Yeoman**, former ADLC DUI Task Force representative.

Those excused from attendance: **Trooper Dave Oliverson**, Montana Highway Patrol; and **Marti Spotted Eagle**, Public Health Representative.

Those absent from attendance: NA

Approval of Minutes

It was motioned by Keith Lopez and seconded by Joanne Heaney that the minutes for the November 12, 2015 meeting be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report

Bill Sather reported that there have been no changes to the budget with the exception of the \$200 donated to ACI, Inc.'s Sno-Ball After-Party event (which Heidi Nielsen confirmed was received by ACI, Inc. on 12/1/15). The prior budget balance was \$25,537.00.

MIP and DUI Reports

Chief Tim Barkell reported that there are a total of 43 DUIs and 39 MIPs to-date for 2015. The monthly totals are as follows:

January -	1 DUI and 4 MIPs
February -	4 DUIs and 3 MIPs
March -	8 DUIs and 9 MIPs
April -	2 DUIs and 3 MIPs
May -	0 DUIs and 10 MIPs (7 MIPs were from a house party on Alder)
June -	3 DUIs and 0 MIPs
July -	8 DUIs and 8 MIPs
August -	2 DUIs and 2 MIPs
September -	4 DUIs and 0 MIPs
October -	2 DUIs and 0 MIPs
November -	8 DUIs and 0 MIPs
December -	1 DUI and 0 MIPs to-date

Patricia Mulvey asked if there may be something in particular contributing to fewer MIPs right now. Tim Barkell stated that it is well known that minors are traveling to Granite County to participate in underage drinking and that he has talked to Sheriff Scott Dunkerson of Granite County about that issue. As of now, Anaconda is not aware of any added efforts taken in Granite County to combat the issue.

Upcoming Events

The DUI Task Force's second *Coffee With A Cop* event will be held on December 17th at McDonald's from 10am-11am. Tim Barkell noted that he will try to get a few new officers to attend the event. Heidi Nielsen provided an event poster for the police department. The rest are distributed.

Also coming up are Winter Break (12/23-1/3), Christmas weekend (12/24-12/27), and New Year's Eve. Tim stated that the Christmas weekend is usually busy for local law enforcement and that he will offer call outs for New Year's as well. Tim voiced concern about trying to cover the callouts due to officer burnout. Karen Yeoman asked about the availability of officers. Bill Sather and Tim noted that of the current 17 officers, there have been four officers away at training or on leave for various reasons. Tim also pointed out that the police force is down to 17 overall from the 24 the department had in 2002.

Bill also pointed out that he and Ben Krakowka have discussed sending two officers (Vauthier and Doemel) to DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) training. They have been watching for available DRE training dates and Ben remarked that both of those officers would be very good as DREs. Tim added that he's hopeful there will be enough officers on duty at that time to cover their shifts during the trainings.

New Business

The group discussed prevention ads in the local paper for Christmas and New Year's. Matt Buerkle provided color samples of holiday prevention ads. Tim Barkell noted that the ads would be best if run in color. Heidi Nielsen stated that there was plenty of funding between ACI, Inc. and Tri-County Addiction Services to run the prevention ads in color. Michelle Harrington concurred. Joann Heaney motioned to run the green and red ads for Christmas (see attached) and the blue ad for New Year's. Ben Krakowka seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ben also updated the DUI Task Force on the success of the officer body cams. He said that they have been a tremendous success and that the evidence he gets from them is spectacular. Bill Sather added that he had some initial concern that there would be officer resistance to the body cams, but there hadn't been any at all. Tim Barkell noted that the only inconvenience to them has been the long recharging time for the Taser cams. Other than that, they have been a great addition.

Heidi mentioned ACI, Inc.'s upcoming 2nd-cycle Drug Free Communities (DFC) grant renewal in January. Ben and Bill have both been sector reps for the grant. She asked them, along with the DUI Task Force in general, to consider continuing their support as sector reps when the application process comes due. Ben and Tim both agreed to help out and for Heidi to keep the task force updated on what is needed going forward.

Public Comment

Michelle Harrington commented that she has spoken with Sheriff Scott Dunkerson in Granite County about compliance checks and that he is willing to work together with Anaconda on that endeavor. Scott would like Anaconda to share a student with Granite County for compliance checks there, too. It was noted that the student would need to be 18 and that Montana Tech might have some students to collaborate with as well. Ben Krakowka added that he called Dunkerson and the principal in Philipsburg after last month's DUI Task Force meeting and left them messages stating that Anaconda would pay for the student's dinner and also write a letter of recommendation for them. Ben has not heard back from either of them yet.

Matt Buerkle said that there were lots of positive student comments following the Sno-Ball after party. There were approximately 75 youth who participated in it and there were "more popular" kids who attended this year's event as well. He noted that rumor had it that some kids came to the event because "their beer froze." Also, another student was debating between a house party and the after party and told Heidi Nielsen that he was happy he chose the after party. Lastly, Matt gave the DUI Task Force a thank you card on behalf of ACI, Inc. for the DUI TF's donation to support the after party.

Next Meeting

The next DUI Task Force Meeting is scheduled for January 14th at 10 a.m. in the ACI office located at 118 E. 7th Street, Suite 2D unless otherwise noticed.

Adjournment

Moved by Joanne Heaney and seconded by Keith Lopez that the meeting be adjourned at 10:26am. Motion carried unanimously.


 Heidi Nielsen, RN, BSN, CLNC, CLC
 Anaconda DFC Project Director, DUI Task Force Citizen-at-Large

ADLC DUI TASK FORCE – ATTENDANCE FORM

Date: 12/10/15

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5	Keith Lopez	on file
6	Matthew Burke	"
7	Bill Sather	on File
8	Michelle Harrington	"
9	Heidi Nielsen	"
10	Karen Yeoman	"
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