



**Woodford County ASAP Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Versailles Police Department, S. Main St.**  
**Tuesday, January 21st, 2025**

<b>Permanent Voting Members</b>	<b>Non-Permanent Voting Members</b>	<b>Non-voting Members/Guests</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Woodford County Health Department Director, <b>Cassie Prather</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Absent:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Superintendent of Woodford County designee, <b>Jill Hargiss</b></li> <li>New Vista, Director of Prevention, <b>Shawn Freeman-resigned</b></li> <li>County Judge Executive, <b>James Kay</b></li> <li>•WCHS Family Resource Center &amp; Youth Service Center Coordinator, <b>Torie Hundley</b></li> <li>Family Service Office, Woodford Co. Protection &amp; Permanency Social Worker- <b>Brittany Ellison</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>County Attorney, <b>Alan George</b></li> <li>EMS Director and Mental Health Commissioner, <b>Freeman Bailey</b></li> <li>Versailles Police Victims Advocate, <b>Ellie Castle</b></li> <li>WC Sheriff's Department, <b>Jimmy Fugate</b></li> <li>M &amp; M Director &amp; Versailles City Council, <b>Lisa Johnson</b></li> <li>WC Casa Coordinator, <b>Heather Porter</b></li> <li>Outreach Coordinator Brightview, <b>Ariel Smith</b></li> <li>Woodford County Drug Task Force, <b>Kelly Carl</b></li> <li>Serenitee at its Best, <b>Stephanie Raglin</b></li> <li>Versailles Police Department Chief, <b>Rob Young</b></li> <li>The Commitment House, <b>Afiya Wilson</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Woodford ASAP coordinator, <b>Nancy Blackford</b></li> <li>Woodford County Magistrate <b>Larry Blackford</b></li> <li>The Ridge, <b>Brittany Riggins</b></li> <li>Woodford County Health Department, <b>Kelly Simpson</b></li> <li>Woodford County Health Department, <b>Riki Whitlock</b></li> <li>Isaiah House Client Care Navigator, <b>Pamela Knowles</b></li> <li>Specialty Courts, <b>Victoria Fugua</b></li> <li>Spero Health, <b>Michele Welling</b></li> <li>Celebrate Recovery <b>Amelia Meekins</b></li> <li>YEP Project Director, <b>Cole Grannis</b></li> </ul>

Called to order at 8:35 am by Freeman Bailey

Approval of Minutes

Lisa- Asked date correction be made to the minutes for the Mentors & Meals Parent Cafe program to January 28<sup>th</sup>.

Lisa moved the motion, and Stephanie Raglin seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

### **Harm reduction/Syringe & Needles Update Riki Whitlock**

Riki is a healthcare professional at UK, operating under the KIRP initiative. Our organization is integrated throughout the state, facilitating syringe exchange programs. She facilitates the Syringe Exchange Program at the Woodford County Health Dept. We offer linkages to care services, as well as testing for hepatitis B and C, and HIV. Our efforts extend beyond merely providing clean needles; we actively engage with individuals facing challenges in the community, fostering meaningful relationships. We create a supportive environment for those seeking sobriety when they are ready, meeting them at their point of need. We distribute safe supplies to mitigate the risks of HIV and STDs. This spring, we will launch an event focused on hot dogs and harm reduction. The more knowledge we acquire, the more we can expand our impact. It is crucial to educate ourselves and our families about addiction, as a lack of awareness can lead to health issues for others. Nancy asked for an update report. Notably, the needle exchange report has shown a decline over the past year.

### **Proposal request NET update Freeman Bailey/Alan George**

Jeff and Alan have been in ongoing discussions regarding the matter at hand. Jeff believes that the next step involves the fiscal court serving as the determining authority. It is essential to present our request to the fiscal court for an investigation into our proposal, which seeks approval for four individuals to participate in the program. We aim to safeguard our financial investment and conduct further research to ensure a thorough evaluation of the program. Exercising caution with our funds is imperative, as we wish to avoid any potential repayment obligations. The fiscal agent will need to conduct a review and provide approval for this initiative. The ASAP board is seeking funding for the net device pilot program from the City/County's abatement funds. Additionally, we require a representative from NET recovery to inform the other six magistrates who may lack knowledge about this device. Freeman requested a motion to forward our request to the fiscal court for presentation and approval. Rob made the motion, which was seconded by Kelly Carl, while Alan abstained from voting.

Motion passed.

### **Updates for 2025-2026 Budget Nancy**

The grants for 2025 and 2026 have been approved. Nancy initiated the motion for approval, which was first supported by Freeman and seconded by Stephanie.

Motion approved.

Our objective is to encourage individuals to utilize the funds from the mini grants and to provide a report on their expenditure.

Nancy asked the board to accept getting two free equipment boxes with the installation of Narcan spray boxes to be available for anyone, from New Vista. Nancy asks for location suggestions to place the equipment box outside or inside. Some suggestions: Library, Kroger, WC Health Dept, WC Hospital and several churches. The Board consented to receiving the two-equipment small machine. Freeman will approach Kroger regarding the possibility of placing a box in the breezeway. The ASAP board has consented to acquiring two complimentary Narcan machine boxes and will determine their placement later.

### **Announcements**

**Brittany Riggins, The Ridge** is hosting a Webinar on suicidal risks next Tuesday at 10am. The Ridge on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday is adding a mental health IOP and adding a substance use disorder IOP via telehealth. The Ridge Winter Conference with Keynote Speaker, Ashley Judd is February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Ariel Smith, Brightview** is having a webinar for free CEUS for Caring for patients with comorbidities and multiple illnesses.

**Stephanie Raglin, Serenitee at its Best-** asked for a scholarship committee for 2025.

**Cassie Prather, Woodford County Health Department** Saturday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 10-12 CPR hands only CPR training at the new Highschool gym.

**Ellie Castle Versailles Police Department** February 27<sup>th</sup> Thursday evening 6-8pm at the High School -Heart Healthy program for February and Say No to Drugs event for the youth.

Meeting Adjourned by Freeman Bailey at 9:25am.  
Recorder Ariel Smith