

MINUTES: Meridian Anti-Drug Coalition General Meeting Meridian Police Department, Media Room *or* \*Zoom 1401 E Watertower St, Meridian, ID 83642 August 18, 2022 | 4:00-5:10PM

**MEETING ATTENDEES 22: (In-person 15)** Hailey Blogg, Kendall Nagy, Nate Zimmerman, Monte Stiles, Milt Smith, Danielle Fanopoulos, David Phillips, Yoonwa Saechao, Terry Austin, Anne Little Roberts, Senator C. Scott Grow, Jennifer Abrao, Cheryl Mulvihill, Wayne Sharp, Earl Scharff | (Via Zoom 7) Brenda Willson, Dirk Mendive, Heather Allan, Melanie Patterson, Stephany Galbreaith, Joe Sandoval, Kristi Lampe

TIME	SPEAKER   AGENDA ITEMS	NOTES
4:00	Kendall Nagy, Director: Welcome & Introductions   Additions to Agenda?   (note meeting end time)	(all) sign-in sheet   (Hailey) record Zoom attendees, help monitor waiting room and chat box
4:07	Hailey Blogg, Anti-Drug Coalition Coordinator: Approval of July 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes (sent out via email)	(Hailey) minutes, special attention to action items & votes   (all) motion, second, anyone opposed; vote to amend or approve minutes ***Make an amendment to changing Recovery Breakfast speaker's name, correct name is Stephanie Taylor-Thompson*** July Minutes Vote: Motion - David, Second - Danielle, All in Favor. Approved.
	Volunteer Opportunities   <del>Webinar (</del> see <b>Recommended</b> section at bottom of agenda for links to webinars)	A couple volunteer opportunities coming up: First, Blue Cross of Idaho is hosting at "Hootenanny" Event. It is a western theme, volunteers that sign up are encouraged to participate in the theme. We will have our Natural High Booth; this event is expecting a large turn-out and it is an all-day event. <i>Volunteers Sign Up Here:</i> <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AA9AD2DABFECF8-blue</u> Second, MADC 17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Recovery Day Breakfast on Thursday Sept. 22 <sup>nd</sup> . We are looking for a few volunteers to help with set up/break down for this event. <i>Volunteers Sign Up Here:</i> <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4AA9AD2DABFECF8-madc2</u> Another upcoming event is Red Ribbon Week October 23 <sup>rd</sup> – October 31 <sup>st</sup> . We will need a few volunteers to help with putting together the resource bags for the schools. Last year we had 19 schools
	Photography Exhibit	request materials and thousands of resources distributed. Volunteer sign-ups will be available next meeting. <u>New Art Exhibit</u> at Meridian City Hall on the third floor. Our fellow coalition member, <u>Monte Stiles</u> , has some photos displayed at this exhibit. His natural high is photography and he is very talented. If you have the opportunity, go check them out. Exhibit will be closing on August 31 <sup>st</sup> . Senator C. Scott Grow Introduction.
4:15	Senator C. Scott Grow, Guest Speaker: Preparing Policy for Session   How	( <u>Senator C. Scott Grow</u> ) Overview: the legislature is like a business. Work takes place behind the scenes. If you want to help you need to understand the <u>process</u> . A small key anti-marijuana group worked together on marijuana related legislation. Idaho legislators don't have any employees. It is a

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Constituents Contact Elected Officials	collaborative process to draft bills for the legislative session. We work on all kinds of legislation. For
Tracking Constituent Input	example, we could be working on property tax legislation with all types of groups. A legislator sponsors
	the legislation for each session and it goes through the bill passing process. Key legislators work
	together for key proposals, perhaps for the committees they serve on. Before legislation goes through
	committees, large groups of people testify on the legislation.
	A lot of people testified on marijuana legislation from both sides. For example, we presented
	legislation to the ID Medical Association before the session started. We had to have the legislation
	ready before bringing the topic to the group. The board then decided if they would support it or not.
	Some of the doctors were not in support because of the marijuana. It is hard to get support from all
	entities. Going to different groups to get them on board and passing the bill is a lot of work. Another
	challenge, was getting some of the sheriffs on board. Some legislators represent The Idaho Freedom
	Foundation; Senator Grow represents constituents. You can work through Kendall if you want to join
	the process.
	The Floor Debate is for the public, we have everything in order before bills hit the floor.
	Ballot initiatives could not get enough signatures for marijuana recreational/medicinal. ID is the last
	state standing in terms of preventing marijuana legalization. Cartels want drugs legalized so it makes it
	easier for them.
	(Monte) Fighting at initiative at the signature gathering stage, being involved in campaigns, is
	something that only Idaho does. Other states do not acknowledge until signatures are already initiated,
	it's too late at this point. Monte attended <u>Hempfest</u> in Boise, all of the sponsors were from Oregon or
	California. Psychedelic drugs are the new push, encouraging others to expand their mind and legalize
	psychedelics. Public Education, marijuana education will not change people's mind, only the negative
	effects of the aftermath of legalization will make a difference. Legalization has fueled the opioid crisis.
	Cartels changed tactics, they started selling opioids. This is not discussed, talking about Operation Esto
	Perpetua, people do not recognize this or talk about it.
	(David) during a <u>CADCA</u> Conference workshop Idaho was referred to as the most hostile state when it
	comes to marijuana. Kudos to Senator and others engaging in marijuana-free campaigning. Advertising
	for dispensaries in Idaho, why is that not illegal?
	(Grow) Coeur d' alene gets news from Spokane, that is why. Everything is mellow and settled at the
	moment, we do not want to push [marijuana related legislation] right now while everything is calm.
	(Milt) When a farmer finds an illegal grow, why don't they do something about it?
	(Grow) The cartel will go after you if you destroy or ruin their illegal grow.

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		(Kendall) When working with constituents, how can people let their representative know how they feel
		about that bill?
		(Grow) You let your legislators know with a phone call to their personal phone number. They get too
		many emails and have no staff. Volunteer to help on your legislator's campaign. If you see a bill being
		worked on get your thoughts out there.
		Milt wants to know where to find legislative phone numbers. Who's My Current Legislator? Or Idaho
		Legislators Contact Directory.
		(Wayne) Is there more anger in politics than you have experienced in the past?
		(Grow) Voters want to replace current legislators with a more far-right extreme group. They view
		current Senators as too traditional. Far-right says that if people want to put marijuana in their body
		then let them do it.
4:45	Kendall Nagy, Director: Updates	(Kendall) administrative duties, supply orders, print projects   (Hailey) learning processes and
		partnerships, Red Ribbon Week planning, assisting with social media oversight
	Breathalyzer Event	(Kendall) Breathalyzer Event, Wienhoff had 4 volunteers, over 100 people that participated. Education
		on BrAC after patrons consumed alcohol. Announcements throughout the race will reach about 1,200
	National Night Out	people. National Night Out, provided resources within the communities to over 15 neighborhoods and
	Back-to-School Carnival, SRO Training	met with over 400 people. Back-to-School Carnival, 55 interactions and prevention/education. Kendall
		and Hailey presented to School Resource Officer (SRO) team. SRO team has grown and now has
	Print Media Project	Elementary school SROs. We are improving the Parent Prevention Packet with Tribute Media through
		our partnership with Community Coalitions of Idaho. It is MADC's most requested resource. Completion
	ODP Strategic Plan	deadline is end of September. Kendall and Hailey participating in the Idaho Office of Drug Policy's 5-
	Education & Prevention Report	year Strategic Plan for alcohol education/prevention. The Annual MPD Education & Prevention Report
		is being updated. Data will show information about events throughout the year and if we have
		expanded prevention reach in middle schools.
	Upcoming	Faith Ambassador Council Meeting 8/25, WASD Mental Health Provider Fair 9/15, Blue Cross of Idaho
		"Hootenanny" 9/17, Recovery Breakfast 9/22, Treasure Valley Youth Safety Summit 9/27, Public Safety
		Day 10/8, Red Ribbon Week 10/23-31, Trunk-or-Treat 1027, Rx Take-back 10/29
4:55	Executive Committee, Sector	(all) identify opportunities to promote the Recovery Day Breakfast (9/22), plan Red Ribbon Week
	Representatives: Updates?	involvement, volunteer opportunities (more signups coming soon)
	<ul> <li>Kylee Bendorf, Yoonwa Saechao,</li> </ul>	(Yoonwa) West Ada School District (WASD) Update: a lot of changes in WASD, variety of roles they are
	Welcome!	responsible for. Questions to think about: What does administration need to look for? What do our
		communities need us to look for? Need help with drug prevention within schools. Talked about
		enhancing communication and not going through Peach Jar.
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		(Danielle) – Wants to know if MADC can distribute "Tobacco 21 Flyers" to gas stations.
5:05	Open Discussion: partner updates, questions,	(all) Recommended: 2-hour webinar recorded 8/10, featuring Dr. Finn and brought to you by Salmon
	suggestions, etc.	Drug Free Youth along with Salmon Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition, What Every Parent Should
		<u>Know About Marijuana</u>
		90-minute webinar recorded 8/17 brought to you by Community Coalitions of Idaho, Prevention &
		Youth In The Juvenile System
5:07pm Meeting Adjourned N		Next Meeting: September 15, 2022 at 4PM