

COMBAT Commission Meeting
May 12, 2022, 10:00 AM –10:47 AM
Zoom Meeting
Minutes

Present:

Mark Bryant, Larry Beaty, Dr. Joseph Spalitto, Alfred Jordan, Elizabeth Williams, Dr. Kelvin Walls.

Also Present:

Vince Ortega, Bob Muenz, Frank Fatino, Jamie Brown, Jay Haden, Jim Giles, Joseph Loudon, Justin Horton, Keron Hopkins, Shannon Bobo, Tammie Jordan, Venisha Pendergrass, Theresa Galvin

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

Minutes Approved:

Elizabeth Williams motioned to approve March 10, 2022, meeting minutes; Larry Beaty seconded; motion was approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION:

COMBAT Director-

- Completing the final steps for Strategic Plan which includes finishing the official Public Document.
- Funding applications for 2023 will begin process in July.
- Met with Communities in Schools
 - Looking at introducing a pilot program in Raytown schools
 - Student Support Coordinators- trained professionals who work with school administrators to assess student needs, develop a plan and build a team to provide support to students and schools

JC Drug Task Force-

- April 2022 Statistics
 - Street value of seized drugs- \$2,566,866
 - 13 investigations initiated
 - 7 federal cases filed for prosecution
 - 7 state felony cases filed for prosecution
 - 21 Drug purchases
 - 3 search warrants
- Investigations involved counterfeit oxycodone
 - They often contain Fentanyl, and they are more lethal than ever before
 - Investigations involved the overdose death of several individuals after ingesting the counterfeit pills

NEW BUSINESS:

Funding applicant- Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council

- Fifth STRIVIN Hub located in Midtown KC
 - STRIVIN Hub coordinator- Pastor Brandon Mims with Greater Metropolitan Church of Christ
 - \$105,550 requested funding amount for one year
 - To hire 3 trauma counselors
 - Location sits on dividing line between both East Patrol and Central Patrol

Alfred Jordan moved to approve the funding amount. Elizabeth Williams seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

MOTION:

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 AM.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Next meeting is August 11, 2022