

**OPIOID TASK FORCE**  
February 26, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.  
**Benton County Courthouse**  
**Jury Room-3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**  
111 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Vinton, IA

\*\* Agenda is not printed in any particular order; only time specific items will be addressed at certain times

David Upah-X	Grace Schmidt-x
Chelsea Herber-x	Jean Ohlen-x
Hayley Rippel-x	Ray Lough-no
Brian Meeker-no	Ben Parmater-no
James Bieschke-no	Cindy Pattee-no
Monica Cox-x	Dan LaGrange-x

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM.

**2. Approval of Minutes from February 5, 2025**

The minutes from the meeting held on February 5, 2025, were reviewed.

- **Motion to approve:** 1st by Grace Schmidt, 2nd by Jean Ohlen

**3. Review of Opioid Fund Deposits and Balance**

The current balance of the Opioid Fund was reviewed.

- No change to the amount since the last meeting.

**4. Discussion and Approval of MOU with Foundation 2**

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Foundation 2 was presented for approval.

- **Motion to approve:** 1st by Grace Schmidt, 2nd by Chelsea Herber

**5. Discussion, Review, and Approval of Proposals**

The proposals were discussed, and follow-up questions were raised. VGH staff was present to discuss their proposals and address any questions.

- **Key Points Discussed:**
  - The staff reviewed their proposals, and several questions were raised. It was agreed that the chair of the committee should be present before a vote could be taken on the projects.
  - There were numerous questions regarding the **Suboxone Clinic**. ASAC will review available data on the number of current patients receiving Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) from other facilities outside of Benton County.
- **Jean Ohlen's Proposal:**
  - Jean presented an additional proposal related to her **Post Overdose Response Team** initiative. The discussion focused on who would be responsible for carrying out this program. Two potential candidates were suggested: the **Law Enforcement Liaison** and the **ASAC Care Navigator**.

- Due to time constraints, the decision was tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.

#### **6. Action on Approved Proposals**

No actions were taken as the proposals are still under review. Voting will be delayed until the next meeting.

#### **7. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting was scheduled for **March 26, 2025, at 1:30 PM** in the Conference Room (Basement of the Courthouse).

#### **8. New/Old Business/Public Interest Comments**

No new or old business was raised. There were no public interest comments.

#### **9. Adjournment**

- **Motion to adjourn:** 1st by Grace Schmidt, 2nd by Chelsea Herber
- **Outcome:** Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.