



MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Jennings County Courthouse

24 North Pike Street

Vernon, Indiana 47282

Attendees: Amanda Lawson, Andy Judd, JL Brewer, Carin Hurt, Cathy Vawter, Christina Crank, Dustin Vice, Merri Eder, Riley Murphy, Sara Kleber-Lowery (Zoom), Shana Richmond, Sherry Porter, Steve Sharer, Don Duis, Jaclyn Morris.

Guest presenter: Whitney Koelling, ARa (Zoom)

- I. Welcome and Introduction: Resources from RCORP grant overseen by Centerstone: Jackie Morris, we can contact her at Jaclyn Morris Jaclyn.Morris@centerstone.org and program manager Alissa Williams Alissa.Williams@centerstone.org . Attached are referral forms. This is a rural connection grant that requires directly or indirectly impacted by substance use. For example, can help link those with treatment as needed on all levels. They are working at Wayside and will work with JJCC with pro-social activities. Grant is until 2028 and does not have cut off on how many to enroll.
- II. Old Business
 - a. Review and approval of March 26, 2025 minutes.
 - b. BJA and other federal grant applications: federal grants are stalled.
 - c. ARC and Pretrial Updates – Hope to have first participant in ARC in a week! Pretrial process questions have been answered from the State.



- d. AllRise Training for ARC May 7-9 at Judy Love Professional Development Center, see registration link if you are attending or a proxy.
- e. RISE May 28-31 in Kissimmee, FL and there are about 5 attendees between JRAC, ARC and FRC.

III. New Business

- a. ARa update from Whitney Koelling, regarding Firefly Prevention Center.
Whitney submitted information on the letter of intent which is due May 9.
Reviewed application requirements. \$140,000 available for the State of Indiana, which is a decrease. Team agrees that partners can work together with Centerstone being agent along with assistance from other JRAC entities. Make a large umbrella of letter of intent for family events to target in the community that include parent education, resources to community links, family bonding activities, mental health and SUD prevention program information also to be provided at the event. Magistrate reminds team about parent cares and that this potential program could help kick-start program. Partners to include would be JJCC along with 180 RCO. Estimated \$20,000-\$30,000.
- b. Update bylaws with new officers and membership and estimated time frame is July 2025.
- c. 180 RCO Steve Sharer reports that there are 350 attending the recovery dinner this Friday! Jennings County is represented well! Also, they have key to the



building at the hospital as of yesterday and is being assessed. Great community work between hospital and 180 RCO!

- d. Next meeting June 4, 2025 at noon due to RISE meeting and other planned events.

IV. Adjourn at 12:50pm.