

SE Colorado Region 19 Opioid Settlement Board

August 22, 2022, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM via Zoom

Present

Rick Butler
Kim MacDonnell, Richard Gallegos
Blain Arbuthnot, Terry McMillian
Meagan Hillman, Dennis Pearson
John Hostetler, Rob Oquist
Wendy Buxton-Andrade, Kyle Miller
Christine Zeitvogel

Rose Pugliese

Guests

Sarah Long
Marissa Stoller
Sarah Money
Stacey Samaro, Ginger Whatley
Olivia Leyva
Steve Sanchez

County represented

Baca
Bent
Crowley
Kiowa
Otero
Prowers
Pueblo

Facilitator

Pueblo County Attorney's Office
City of Pueblo
Access Point
Crossroads' Turning Points, Inc.
Pueblo Department of Public Health
SE CO Hospital District

Call to Order

Commissioner Buxton-Andrade called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM. Seven counties were represented during the meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Buxton-Andrade asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

- Councilman Butler moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Arbuthnot.
 - The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Buxton-Andrade asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Commissioner Arbuthnot moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Councilman Butler

- The motion passed unanimously.

Opioid Abatement Conference Update

Commissioner Buxton-Andrade gave a brief report on the Opioid Abatement Conference. She shared that there was a tremendous amount of information which is available on the AG's website:

<https://coag.gov/opioids/colorado-opioid-abatement-council/>.

Facilitator Update

Ms. Pugliese attended a fentanyl information meeting hosted by Congressman Lamborn where she learned that schools are trying to re-appropriate funding received for Covid to use for Narcan for the schools. They are seeing high incidences of fentanyl overdose and death in schools.

Commissioner Lopez sent an article to Commissioner Buxton-Andrade and Ms. Pugliese regarding the \$18 million settlement with opioid manufacturer Mallinckrodt. They have not yet received much information on that settlement. Commissioner Buxton-Andrade listed the settlement amounts: \$10 million McKinsey; \$385 million J&J/McKesson, \$50 million Purdue/Sackler, \$60 million Teva/Allergen, \$18 million Mallinckrodt.

Region 19 has met all of the state's requirements under the planning grant. Commissioner Buxton-Andrade asked that counties follow up on any municipalities that have not yet opted-in or out.

BrownGreer PLC is the Directing Administrator for the Distributor Settlement Agreement.
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RFP Form

The board decided to add harm reduction to the list of focus areas included in the RFP.

Ms. Pugliese will confirm with Pueblo County that funds can be distributed as grants instead of reimbursement grants.

Ms. Hillman provided the link to the Colorado MOU including Exhibit A and the approved uses:
<https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2021.08.26-Colorado-Opioid-MOU-AG-Weiser-signed-w-Exhibits.pdf>.

Ms. Pugliese explained that the objective of item 9 under *Questions to be addressed by the RFP* is to show that the applicant is sustainable, has a record of success and is not a brand-new entity.

The board agreed to assign 10 points to each scoring category.

Ms. Pugliese will update the RFP wording for vote at the next meeting. Ms. Long offered to get input on RFP language from Pueblo County attorney's office.

Ms. Pugliese presented the scope of work for the website, logo and branding. Ms. Hillman stated that entities with a logo and name seem to have a more concrete identity. Ms. Long stated that all founding paperwork references the name SECOR and suggested retaining the name SECOR for consistency.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 3:00 PM on September 26, 2022.

Adjournment

Commissioner Buxton-Andrade adjourned the meeting at 3:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Zeitvogel
Secretary, SECOR