



## Join Together Atlantic County

Virtual Zoom Meeting - May 12, 2020

11:00am – 1pm

### Attendance/Sectors & Agencies Represented:

Youth: Anya Gowda (Egg Harbor Twp HS, SUAR), Katherine Jaques (Buena Regional HS, SUAR)

Parents: Katie Faldetta (Northfield)

Law Enforcement: Chief Bruce DeShields & Capt. Chuck DeFebbo (Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office)

Govt Agency: Assemb. John Armato (NJ State Leg.), Sofia Noncent-Johnson (NJDCFS/CSOC), Jen Pielhau (Atlantic County Municipal Alliance)

School: Judy Venafro (Buena Reg HS), Patty Weeks (Stockton University)

Youth Service Org: John Roy (Care Management Org.)

Healthcare: Danielle Bartsche (Poison Control Center)

Religious/Fraternal Org.:

Business: Wynston Whitlow (Behavioral Crossroads)

Media:

Civic/Volunteer: Dasha Brown (Volunteers of America)

Other Org.: Ken Litwak (800 Gambler), Jody Fernandez (Southern NJ Perinatal Cooperative), Carlo Favretto Jr. & Ashley Hulek (Tobacco Free for a Healthy NJ), Susan Long (Hope One, Angels in Motion), Sean Kolins (Seabrook), Natalia Wilbur (CMCHC/Cape Assist), Kathy Harvey (APR)

Staff: Laurie Smith, Amber Cutano, Brian Wilson, Bob Zlotnick & Kathy McFadden (JTAC/APR)

Guest/Other: Ammie Bonsu (SAMHSA, CSAP), Courtney Gradzki (NJPN), Denise Rosado (NJDCFS/CSOC), Maria Hankins (Hope One)

### **Introductions/Minutes:**

Laurie opened the meeting, welcomed the attendees and introductions were made.

Minutes from last meeting were approved virtually and shared with the group through email as well as posted on the JTACNJ.org website.

**Internal Coalition Business/Grant Updates:**

Most of our grant initiatives will be able to continue virtually and a couple things that cannot be completed virtually can/will be held off until the fall.

Drug Free Communities (DFC) – Federal through the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and changing from SAMHSA to CDC, year 7 renewal was completed and has been submitted.

STOP ACT – Federal, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), SAMHSA underage drinking grant, year 4 renewal was submitted, the grant now has a new reporting system.

CARA Grant – Federal, through the ONDCP, changing from SAMHSA to CDC, opioid prevention - renewal was submitted, approved and notice of award was received.

Opiate Athlete Grant – This is a state grant that focuses on athletes and the use of opiates.

Partnership for Success (PFS) – State grant; We have not yet met with the Children’s Inter-Agency Coordinating Council (CIACC) to discuss additional training. We will still move forward virtually for any trainings once we are instructed. Laurie and Jessica from Child Protective Services completed Nurtured Heart Approach training for school staff and administrators at Galloway Public Schools before State shutdown.

Communication – To help communicate any upcoming events, Laurie will send an email out to all coalition members on Thursday afternoons unless there isn’t any new information to share. If your organization has any events or information that you’d like to share, please send it to Laurie before noon on Thursdays. The JTAC newsletter was sent out and will be done quarterly, if you have any information you’d like us to share in our next newsletter, please reach out to Amber.

NJ National Guard has offered to help with some services and are going to help us update our by-laws.

We need a chairperson to help with our meetings, let Laurie know if you are interested.

We hired Nick Formica as a consultant, he is a Stockton peer educator and teacher’s assistant for the Stockton service learning class. He is graduating with a degree in computer technology and is working to help us record different presentations that had to be changed to a virtual format.

One positive of virtual meetings is that some members who normally cannot attend have been able to now that we meet virtually.

**Cape Atlantic Bridge Coalition (CAB):**

Regional coalition- JTAC partners with Cape May County’s coalition through Cape Assist; On January 17, we had a one day follow up training on building resiliency teams in schools with about 90 school staff and administrators in attendance. We were planning on doing another three-day training in July for schools/staff who have not previously attended but this may be canceled or moved to a virtual platform. These trainings help school staff in Atlantic/Cape May County learn different ways to teach/discipline children with Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE’s) and build resiliency teams in their schools. There is

a meeting on Thursday with Michael McKnight and Dr. Lori Desautels who do these presentations to discuss future plans. Katie discussed there is a lot of uncertainty about what school will look like in the future but we know that trauma will be coming back with students no matter what. Now may be a good time for schools to look at their policies and procedures with a new lens and make some changes. We need to make sure the adults in the student's lives are calm and regulated and want to figure out what we can do to support this happening.

On July 16<sup>th</sup> there will be a webinar training for PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade educators to talk about the specific challenges they will be facing with that age group. We are hoping to do a neurobiological training as well. There was a trauma responsive classroom training scheduled for August but we are still on the fence about making this virtual because we are unsure if this will be as effective. Schools have previously requested doing one-on-one interactions with Michael and Lori so we are looking into possibly offering these types of interactions with schools as well.

### **Stand Up and Rebel (SUAR)/Incorruptible.Us:**

We have been working hard to keep our youth involved and have moved meetings from once a month to twice a month. We are doing these meetings through zoom and they seem to help the students with continuing social interaction with each other. We have had two meetings so far which included presentations on stress management and alcohol advertising targeting youth.

The next zoom meeting will be held tomorrow night. Two SUAR students (Anya and Kathryn "Kat") were able to be on the JTAC zoom meeting which they normally cannot attend because of school. Anya is our state representative for SUAR and Incorruptible Us and she will be graduating in June. She discussed the different things she has participated in, including helping create and present the anti-vaping presentation Don't Get Vaped In and attending LMTI Camp and CADCA to learn more about leadership and advocacy. During recent zoom meetings, they have been doing different fun ice breaker activities and have been continuing their advocacy through social media. She talked about the importance for teens to stay engaged right now to help with feelings of isolation. She said there is still a lot of misinformation out there so they want to continue to spread their message and advocate more.

Kat discussed a press conference they did in October and the Instagram posts they are doing. She suggested following their page at Incorruptible.Atlantic to see what our Atlantic County youth have been doing. They are currently doing a content contest for youth and will use the winning posts on their Instagram page. They recently had some new students from Fernwood Middle School sign up. If you know any youth who would be interested, please contact Carlo, he put a link to his email address in the chat box.

### **Opioid Task Force:**

Naloxone Training – Not many Narcan trainings are happening right now but kits are still available if needed. South Jersey Aids Alliance is still offering trainings and kits and Hope One still has kits available but are not doing trainings at this time.

Hope One/AC LEAD – To date, Hope One has linked about 777 people to treatment. They are not working in the office right now but have been working remotely to get people into treatment. They have been working at a constant/steady pace despite the pandemic and are seeing increases in overdoses in certain areas. They have been working on starting an alumni group of people who were linked to treatment and are in long term recovery to help engage people and facilitate some events for them. Once things open back up, they are hoping this alumni group will help them plan some fun sober events.

The pasta dinner that they were hosting in conjunction with Angels in Motion on June 26<sup>th</sup> was canceled and has not been rescheduled yet. The AC Lead program is a six-month long drug diversion program for persons who have previous drug offenses and they recently had their second graduate. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, they have not added any new clients but Scott and Lindsay have continued to stay in contact with the current clients.

National RX & Heroin Summit – National RX Drug Abuse and Heroin 4-day Summit in Nashville was changed to a 3-day virtual summit and Laurie, Kathy McFadden (Associate Director, APR), Chief Bruce DeShields (Prosecutor's Office) and Jen Pielhau (Atlantic County Municipal Alliance) all attended and will have access to workshops for a year.

March 16<sup>th</sup> Opioid Town Hall – This event was cancelled due to the pandemic and Laurie reached out to Brian Cahill at Shore Medical Center to let him know that we can reschedule whenever they are ready. We had another event planned with them in May for athletes and opioid/prescription use and that will have to be rescheduled as well.

Glory Days Magazine – Planning on doing a series on opioids and athletes but with most spring sports being cancelled, we are working with Bill Lynskey to do something over the summer for fall sports.

#### **Interventions/Updates:**

Stockton Service Learning Class – Just ended, the remainder of the semester was done online and Laurie and Brian made themselves available via zoom for students every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and could be reached by email.

Pre-prom Parent Presentations – A group from the service learning class worked on a power point presentation for parents, updated rack cards and did a PSA but because of pre-prom events being canceled, they had to record their presentation. We will be doing virtual parent presentations and events that will include this presentation. We will be offering the links to the schools to share with parents and will also post these events on our FB page and YouTube channel.

Realtor Group – This group recorded a presentation for realtors about the importance of securing medications during open houses.

StoryCorps - The goal is to break the stigma surrounding addiction and recovery by interviewing individuals and asking them to share their personal stories and experiences with addiction and recovery. This semester we had 15 new interviews uploaded to Storycorps. You can find them on our website and our fb page.

Above the Influence (ATI) - National Campaign that utilizes social media such as FB, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat to post facts, statistics pertaining to substance misuse and positive messages. Throughout the semester they posted nearly 100 times.

Strangers Project - These are hand written thoughts, opinions, stories and experiences with addiction and recovery. These stories are displayed at different locations specifically libraries in Atlantic County along with additional information and resources, over 75 stories were collected this semester

April 7<sup>th</sup> Youth Summit – The April 7<sup>th</sup> youth summit was rescheduled and moved to a virtual platform. The service learning students from Stockton finished their projects online and recorded their poster presentations for the summit. There will be some peer to peer presentations and APR staff will be doing

some presentations as well. The videos of all of the presentations will be posted to our YouTube channel and the links will also be sent to all of the Atlantic County high schools to share with their students. We are hoping that doing this virtually will actually increase our outreach since there won't be any space and/or transportation issues. Through YouTube analytics, we will be able to track participation for recording purposes.

Prescription Drop Boxes – Because of the circumstances surrounding COVID-19, many of the permanent prescription drop boxes either have restricted hours/procedures or are temporarily suspended until things return to somewhat normal. We are reminding everyone to contact their local police department non-emergency number before taking any medication to the police departments. Besides police departments, many larger pharmacies like CVS/Walgreens have boxes as well.

Deterra/Locking Medicine Cabinets – In addition to drop boxes, we are continuing to distribute Deterra drug deactivation bags to dispose of medication as well as locking medication cabinets to safely secure medications. Either of these can be picked up with no contact at our Absecon office, just email Brian ([bwilson@atlprev.org](mailto:bwilson@atlprev.org)) or call him at 609-272-0101 x22 to arrange a time. He is usually in the office on Thursdays.

Pharmacy Outreach – Brian recently reached out to smaller local mom/pop pharmacies to remind them about Charlie's Law which requires pharmacies to provide oral and written information on proper drug disposal as well as a safe disposal method. We offered them assistance with educational material on proper drug disposal as well as disposal methods such as the Deterra drug deactivation bags and/or prescription drop boxes. Pharmacies would be responsible for getting all the necessary documentation/licenses but we would provide the actual box.

Middle School PSA Contest – Has been sent out to all Atlantic County middle schools and deadline is this Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. We are accepting picture submissions but if someone is selected as a winner their original artwork would need to be sent to us, we would provide pre-paid postage for that. The first-place winner's artwork will be turned into a billboard in Atlantic County. Anyone interested, please contact Amber ([acutano@atlprev.org](mailto:acutano@atlprev.org)).

#### **Tobacco Update:**

Working Well Tobacco Free – Their goal is to implement/improve tobacco policies at workplaces and housing facilities under Tobacco Free for a Healthy New Jersey (umbrella of several grants and initiatives), they are still operating with some modifications. They currently have a contract with Laguna Grill in Brigantine and are working with John Brooks Recovery Center (JBRC) and Covenant House on policies. They updated the NJ Smoke Free housing directory which can be accessed through the newly designed housing webpage found at [TobaccoFreeNJ.com](http://TobaccoFreeNJ.com). This is a list of smoke free housing facilities in New Jersey. If there is any way they can help with policy updates/implementation, please let them know.

Atlantic Quit Center – The quit center is fully operational and is continuing to provide counseling and Nicotine Replacement Therapies (NRT's). They have been holding virtual groups which have been very successful. They can provide information about COVID-19 and tobacco use and have been actively posting information on their social media pages. Everyone is encouraged to follow their social media updates and if you know anyone who would be interested in their services, please reach out.

March 19<sup>th</sup> Eliminate Tobacco Use Summit has been rescheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> and will be held

virtually. NJPN will also be hosting Tobacco Free Tuesday webinars every Tuesday in June.

**New Business:**

We Check for 21 – We are working with Joe Vasil to record this presentation and will be offering it to all liquor license establishments in Atlantic County in June. It will be available on our YouTube channel.

Underage Drinking Radio Town Hall – Bob hosted a radio town hall on Harry Hurley in the Morning about underage drinking and parenting during COVID-19. It came together really well and we will share the audio if it becomes available. The guests were Kathy McFadden (APR), Jen Pielhau (Municipal Alliance Coordinator) and Chief Donna Higbee (Galloway Twp. Police Dept.). Different information relating to this will be posted on our social media pages.

Saturday Night Live Skit – There was a skit on Saturday Night Live that showed young children (infants and toddlers) drinking, this was meant to be a funny musical parody about being stuck home with kids during the pandemic. The message was to “Let Them Drink” to settle them down so we can enjoy some adult time and NBC has received some backlash about it. This is not the first time SNL has done a skit that was irresponsible relating to substance misuse. CADCA sent a letter to NBC and posted a draft of the letter on their website. Laurie will include a link to the in the Thursday email for any agency that is interested in sending in a similar letter. We will be sending a letter to NBC on behalf of the coalition and urge any agency with a similar mission relating to youth substance misuse to do the same.

Knock Out Opioid Abuse Town Hall Webinars – The Partnership for a Drug-Free NJ canceled their spring town hall and will reschedule it for the fall but they have started hosting a virtual webinar series. Laurie shared the link for the upcoming one but previously recorded ones can be viewed at their website.

**Upcoming Events/Announcements/Information:**

Traumatic Loss Coalition – They are focusing on how they can/are supporting at-risk students during this time. They are looking to find ways to connect with students who haven't been participating in online instructions and aren't checking in with their teachers/schools. Counselors discussed what they are doing and the challenges they are having. One challenge is that when school is in students will just drop in and/or reach out to their counselors but that option isn't available for them right now. With students being at home, counselors don't seem as accessible to them and they don't want parents to overhear them talking so there are some confidentiality issues. Most counselors/schools are planning regular drop in days for students or doing phone calls that they can schedule privately online. There was a death of an Atlantic County student and they weren't able to have in-person stabilization groups so they had to do online grief sessions instead. The state coordinator has been doing these online groups for a while and they have been going well. Counselors/schools have to think about the trauma that will be returning with students when school reopens and will have to plan some things to help with this.

Atlantic County Municipal Alliance – As of March 23<sup>rd</sup> all GCADA municipal alliance funding was frozen indefinitely. IDRC classes have been put on hold (including the 48-hour camp) the next dates are tentatively scheduled for June. Some counties are attempting to do classes virtually but there was a lot of push back on the issues and concerns of doing this and it was decided that it would most likely not work in Atlantic County. Once IDRC resumes, it will probably be held weekly and class sizes would be limited. They will have to work out the logistics on how to do this safely once they are able to resume.

South Jersey Perinatal Cooperative– They are still offering many virtual educational trainings and taking referrals for their Project Embrace Program. This is a free program for pregnant woman with current or

past opioid use disorder, the woman will be linked up with a resource coordinator and support system throughout her pregnancy and after delivery. They can meet virtually, via text message, or over the phone whichever works best for mom. If you know anyone who would be interested, please contact Jody.

Cape Assist – They are finding new and creative ways to build community connection and continue to provide services. They believe that connection is key and is the best prevention and counseling method. The way to get people’s trust is by showing them you will be there for them no matter what. They are shifting the direction of their programs and are working on maintaining connections by doing games and having virtual interactions with clients. They have been finding that the loss of summer/seasonal incomes is creating issues with food insecurities so they have been working on shifting funds to provide healthy foods to clients and help them with bills (phones) in order to keep connected with them. Keeping these connections has been getting more difficult especially with people in recovery (can’t socially distance), trying to find ways to help and work through this the best they can. If they can’t meet their client’s needs, how can they expect them to listen. A gentleman they do not even know dropped off 30- \$25 Acme gift cards for them to give out to families. They have been very active posting resources and information on their social media pages. They will be offering zoom TIPS training in June and have a meeting on Thursday with the school resiliency teams to discuss how they can support schools/teachers right now. Though some of the school programs are more interactive being done in-person, they are trying to embrace technology and are moving some programs online if they can. They are still doing their PSA contest (ends May 15<sup>th</sup>) but have only received a few submissions so far.

Seabrook – They are open and fully operational for inpatient and outpatient care. Telehealth has been a great resource for outpatient care and has expanded their area of reach for different people to attend their meetings. They are still doing some in-person meetings for inpatient and outpatient care. They have seen a decline in inpatient residential short-term clients but an increase in long term residential clients. Some sober livings are not accepting residential or are only accepting clients that are coming from treatment facilities. It has been very challenging keeping clients engaged remotely but they are doing very well and luckily haven’t had any issues in any of their facilities with COVID-19. They are following and going above and beyond the CDC guidelines to try to keep everyone safe.

NJ Poison Control – They are continuing to operate the national poison helpline as usual, 24 hours a day @ 1-800-222-1222 and have moved their public education online. They have been seeing an uptick in calls mainly for cleaners/disinfectants, so they are focusing on people being mindful of products/medications that are kept in the home. In late January, the center started helping with the operation of the NJ Department of Health’s COVID-19 information line. So far, they have taken over 25,000 calls relating to testing, prevention, medical guidance, etc. This is a state specific helpline and people are connected with a medical professional who can provide medical guidance relating to COVID-19. The number for the state line is 1-800-962-1253 and both helpline numbers were put in the chat box. 2-1-1 is also still available for general COVID-19 information.

Cape-Atlantic INK – They are all working remotely and using Telehealth with the families which has been a challenge because of age, maturity and familiarity. They have been having trouble meeting challenges and are doing face-to-face meetings, if necessary, following social distancing guidelines. There are 1,020 children enrolled in CMO but numbers are dropping statewide and mobile response numbers are way down. The belief is that schools play a big role in this type of reporting across the state so this is very

concerning. There are many challenges but they are continuing to do what they can to help. They have a resource net on their website and all CMO's in the state have this on their websites as well.

Mobile Response – Mobile response is still available and Laurie sent out their social media posts for everyone to share to help make parents aware that services are still available. Hospitals are still taking youth if needed.

NJ Dept. of Children and Family Services – CSOC - Partnership for Success – CIACC – The internal workgroup is still working on the grant and in the next few weeks the convener and the YPS's should be receiving some guidance on how to move forward.

Behavioral Crossroads – They are doing telehealth, zoom calls and crisis. They have been reaching out to clients to make sure that everything was well with them. They know that people need the continued communication and clients have been appreciative that agencies are still available to help. They are still utilizing resources and reaching out to clients to meet their needs.

800 Gambler – Working from home but still running hotline, referring people to treatment network which includes 43 therapists and counselors. Internet gambling commercials and video game usage have increased and become more available during quarantine. Calls for sports gambling are down but have increased for internet gambling. Internet gambling is up by about 60%. Counselors are mostly doing Telehealth calls but are still seeing some clients in-person if needed. They are doing free webinars on Fridays with different topics each week. Ken is available to do Zoom meetings for anyone who is interested and he is just as busy now but with less driving. Ken is working with Rider University on doing a course in gambling studies. He also is doing a training in July to get his "certification" to be a video game counselor. This isn't an actual certification in the country yet but he may be the first clinician in New Jersey to have this type of certificate.

PITCH – This is a support group on Thursday nights for counselors, therapist and helpers. They seem to be struggling to get participants right now which is surprising because it is free and convenient now that they are doing it through Zoom. Contact Ken Litwak via FB or email if you are interested.

Association of Professionals Treating Problem Gamblers – They are switching to zoom and will be meeting every other week starting July 11<sup>th</sup>. Everyone welcomed to attend.

Volunteers of America (VOA) – They are still open Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Outreach team is still engaging members of the community – providing food to seniors/people with disabilities. They are providing basic necessities (clothing, food, etc.) and transportation to treatment as needed. If you know anyone in need, please reach out to Dasha. She put her contact info in the chat box.

New Jersey Prevention Network (NJPN) – They are working remotely from home. They have been doing Zoom presentations and recently did one on how to host a Zoom meeting. The Peer Recovery Summit was canceled but they are looking into doing some virtual trainings in the fall and have started some virtual trainings for peer workers on Tuesdays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Fridays from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. They are still having their 20<sup>th</sup> annual addiction conference (2020 Vision) virtually on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. This virtual conference will be similar to the in-person conference with the different workshops but will be recorded and all registrants will be able to view the workshops until December 2020.



Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Association (SAMHSA) - Ammie Bonsu – Federal Government Project Officer for JTAC’s Drug-Free Communities Support grant and STOP ACT grant. SAMHSA continues to provide updates on their website with ongoing guidance to assist with mental and substance use related issues during the pandemic. They have really ramped up their resources within the last month via SAMHSA’s Prevention Technology Transfer Center (PTTC). The PTTC hosted several webinars that are archived on their site for viewing at <https://pttcnetwork.org/centers/global-pttc/products-and-resources>. Webinar topics include information on SAMHSA’s Strategic Prevention Framework, suicide prevention, evidence-based practices, youth substance use; a webinar series on community engagement; and best practices for substance misuse from a grass roots level. Also check out the podcast series at <https://pttcnetwork.org/centers/global-pttc/pttc-podcasts>. Additionally, the PTTC provided a seven-week distance learning series on *Getting Ready for Sustainability Planning*. The New England PTTC completed a needs assessment for the prevention field in their area to look at short term training/needs for this climate and their results showed that the biggest challenges were connecting with stakeholders, struggles with mental and emotional stress, and moving face-to-face work digitally. On a positive note, they indicated a desire for more virtual opportunities. The New England PTTC is hoping to have more digital opportunities this month including a panel to help stay engaged with youth amidst social distancing. There is also a new toolkit available on “Working with an Evaluator: Keeping the Spark Alive.” Ammie will send this resource to Laurie to share with the group. The PTTC has also been providing webinars and resources to Native Americans, Alaskan natives and Latinos about understanding evidence-based practices and different approaches.

NJ Legislature – Assemblyman John Armato – The office is closed, everyone is working from home, still introducing bills but most are related to COVID-19. Voting session on Thursday. They are going through about 250-300 emails a day and about 90% of them relate to unemployment. If you or someone you know has a question just email once because they answer emails in order and any extra emails will just add to the number of emails they receive. Some of the other emails they are receiving are related to constitutional rights and things of that nature. They are trying to help individuals who are struggling with food, drug treatment, etc. but it is very overwhelming right now. Data drives everything and when things begin to open in New Jersey, it will be slowly and based on data. Over a million people have filed for unemployment and over 730,000 people are collecting. If you need any assistance, do not hesitate to reach out.

Atlantic Prevention Resources (APR) – Every remaining Life Skills session has been completed virtually. They are doing two Strengthening Families Programs (SFP) under the state grant and just started a military SFP and an Achieving Personal Balance (APB) for military individuals. They have reached out and reconnected with past families and many were struggling so we are trying to help in any way we can. They are working on re-appropriating the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter funds for the multicultural and minorities grant to get 45 Chromebooks for economically disadvantaged students. Treatment office is still operating but everything has been moved to a virtual setting. They had to have one face-to-face evaluation which was required by drug court and will do them as needed. They are restarting random Urine Drug Screenings (UDS) after not doing for a month or so but the lab will be sending their staff to do them. They are doing Zoom meetings with clients and have been getting more referrals from recovery court in the last few weeks. It is important that we continue to take care of the people without a voice, especially now. We want to make sure that we take care of the kids who are going through this so they don’t have an added burden of the trauma that comes with this. When casinos reopen (20,000 or more laid off), there will be another issue as to how differently it will look and whether or not Atlantic County may then become a hotspot.

JTAC – July meeting would have been annual retreat but we will push that to fall (September) and do Zoom meetings for now.

**Next meeting:** July (TBD)

Motion to adjourn meeting 1<sup>st</sup> John Roy 2<sup>nd</sup> Patty Weeks Meeting Adjourned