



Linn Together Meeting Minutes		
February 19, 2025	12:00 – 1:00 PM	In-person at Linn County Armory Building, Albany, OR
Type of meeting	General Meeting	
Facilitator	Danette Killinger	
Note taker	Danette Killinger	
Attendees	Ben Atchley, Brandi Blethen, Dani Crabtree, Sarah Daniels, Sue Harte, Laura Hawkins, Angie Jansen, Carter Katchel, Danette Killinger, Ashley LeFever, Michael Mattingly, Dar Merrill, Rose Reader, Shannon Snair, Aliza Tuttle, Jeannie Wooten	
Linn Together Updates & Approval of Minutes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linn Together meeting minutes from November 20, 2024, were approved.</li> <li>• An update on the January celebration was reported. We had an increase in youth participation this year, total attendance for the event was 37. An article about the event was included in the February Linn County Reporter.</li> </ul>		
Linn Together Community Outreach Events		
Presenter	Sarah	
Discussion	<p><b>Recent community outreach event:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Albany Non-profit Networking Event at Boy's and Girl's Club (Jan 30).</i> Dar, Shannon, and Julie hosted a table. There were 42 visitors to the Linn Together table and several valuable connections. Albany Mayor Alex Johnson visited our table and would like STAND youth council to show their new videos at a City Council meeting. Bicoastal Media would like Linn Together or STAND to be guests on a radio series about local non-profits. Additionally, Shannon and Julie attended a social media workshop by Laura Hawkins, Albany Police Department.</li> <li>• Ralston Academy Spaghetti Feed, Lebanon Community Schools (Jan 29). Ashley hosted a resource table at the fundraising and awareness event. Visitors included 26 adults, 6 teens, and 7 kids. This was the first time Ralston hosted this event. It was grant funded so we are unsure if there will be future opportunities to partner.</li> </ul> <p><b>Upcoming Event:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>March is Problem Gambling Awareness Month – Sarah provided problem gambling resources and a brief gambling</i></li> </ul>	

	<p><i>screen for members to take back to their organizations and promote during the month of March.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Problem Gambling Disorder Screening Day, Mar 19</i> <i>Hosts: Sarah</i></li> <li>• <i>LBCC Springfest, May 14</i> <i>Host: Sarah</i></li> </ul>
Linn County STAND	
Presenter	Shannon
Discussion	<p>STAND students have created three short, Dr. Seuss-themed videos to encourage parents to talk with their children about the risks of substance use. The videos, scripted by youth, focus on alcohol, marijuana, and vaping.</p> <p>During the meeting, Shannon shared the final two videos on marijuana and vaping for feedback. A few minor edits were suggested and will be submitted to the videographer for final adjustments.</p> <p>The video series will debut through the Linn Together email list, and the group brainstormed additional ways to expand its reach. If you are interested in helping promote the videos, please reach out to Shannon.</p>
Opioid Settlement Funds Planning Update	
Presenters	Shannon
Discussion	<p>Shannon provided an update on the planning process for the opioid settlement funds.</p> <p>The initial phase involves gathering national, state, and local data to identify the populations most affected. Notably, data shows that workers in the construction industry have the highest drug overdose death rates, with synthetic opioids being the leading cause of fatalities.</p> <p>To better understand the local impact, LCAD prevention staff are hosting discussion and focus groups. If your agency is interested in participating, please reach out to Shannon. Members suggested locations for discussion groups including CHANCE, Oxford House, and LBCC students.</p> <p>The funds will be distributed over a three-year period. The first six months will focus on data analysis and engagement with agencies and stakeholders to develop a strategic plan.</p>
Linn Together Website Update – Youth Marijuana Awareness Campaign	
Presenter	Danette

Discussion	<p>Julie has updated the Linn Together website to include a campaign landing page for the youth marijuana awareness campaign. Danette provided an overview of the page and highlighted key features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The “Tips for Parents” section will feature the STAND videos once they are finalized.</li><li>• The resource featured in the middle section (currently the Marijuana Talk Kit) will be updated periodically.</li><li>• The page can have a unique URL (<a href="http://linntogether.org/[name]">linntogether.org/[name]</a>). Julie has asked members to brainstorm and suggest a catchy name for the page. If you have ideas, please share them with Julie.</li></ul>
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Next Linn Together meeting:

March 19, 2025

12:00 – 1:00 pm

Linn County Armory Building – Miller A Conference Rm & Virtual