

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-8.1

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PERTAINING TO
THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AWARENESS COMMITTEE RESCINDING
RESOLUTION 19-11.3 AND TO RE- ESTABLISH THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE
AWARENESS COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopted Resolution No. 87-7.37 on July 28, 1987, creating the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution was rescinded, and Resolution 19-11.3 re-established the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to rescind this previous Resolution regarding the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee and create a new Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the effects of the use and abuse of drugs and alcohol in the community is the concern of the Board and the citizens of Martin County; and

WHEREAS, the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee will address problems and aid in finding solutions associated with drug and alcohol abuse; and

WHEREAS, Behavioral Health issues are often co-occurring morbidities; and

WHEREAS, Behavioral Health issues facing our community are commonly addressed by abusing drugs and/or alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee should also address issues relating to Behavioral Health; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the need to maintain the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee focusing on both youth and adult substance/alcohol abuse and behavioral health issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, hereby rescinds all previous resolutions pertaining to the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee and adopts the following:

1. POWERS AND DUTIES:

The Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee shall serve as an advisory committee to the Martin County Board of County Commissioners on issues relating to adult and youth substance and alcohol abuse and behavioral health issues in Martin County. The Committee will make recommendations on programs and services that impact the community.

The responsibilities of the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee include annual election of officers, consisting of at least a Chair and Vice Chair. The Chair shall lead all meetings, be the primary spokesperson for the Committee, and be the primary Committee liaison to staff and the public. The Vice Chair shall fulfill the duties of the Chair in the latter's absence.

2. MEMBERSHIP/COMPOSITION

The Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Committee shall be comprised of 13 members, each representing one of the following categories:

1. City of Stuart

2. Clerk of the Circuit Court
3. Martin County Board of County Commissioners
4. Public Defender's Office
5. Martin County School Board
6. Martin County Sheriff's Office/Jail
7. State Attorney's Office
8. Town of Jupiter Island
9. Town of Sewall's Point
10. Treatment Representative
11. Circuit Court Judge – 19 Judicial Circuit (non-voting)
12. Two (2) Private Citizens – Must be a resident of Martin County
13. Youth member (non-voting)

All members shall serve without compensation. Any committee member may be removed or replaced at any time by the Board of County Commissioners for conduct detrimental to the committee's intent.

3. MEETINGS

Meetings of the Drug and Alcohol Awareness Committee shall be held quarterly, or more frequently as directed by staff or the Committee Chair, to discuss activities pertaining to substance/alcohol abuse among youth and adults in Martin County.

A majority of the voting members shall constitute a quorum.

Failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings is grounds for automatic removal from the committee.

4. TERMS

All voting members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms, which shall be staggered. For the initial term following adoption of this Resolution, the members filling categories 1 through 4 will serve for one (1) year; the members filling categories 5 through 8 will serve for two (2) years; and the members filling categories 9 through 12 will serve for three (3) years. The non-voting Youth member shall be appointed for two (2) years.

The Board of County Commissioners shall fill any vacancy for an unexpired term. All appointments are made by the Board of County Commissioners.

This Committee shall continue until this resolution is rescinded.

5. MINUTES

The Drug and Alcohol Awareness Committee shall take and maintain minutes of each of its meetings. Copies of the meeting minutes shall be furnished to the members of the committee.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF AUGUST 2021.

ATTEST:


 CAROLYN TIMMANN, CLERK OF THE
 CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA


 STACEY HETHERINGTON, CHAIR

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


 SARAH W. WOODS, COUNTY ATTORNEY