

Penobscot County Opiate Committee
Regular Meeting
February 10, 2026
Via Zoom and open to public

In Attendance: Jamie Beck, Randy Jackson and Pat Kimball

Guests: Shawn Yardly, Courtney Morgan, Michelle Osterman, Ashley Mitchell, Lindsay Smith, Mckenzie David

Welcome: Meeting started at 9:00 with a Welcome from Chairperson Jamie Beck. Jamie welcomed our guest from the MOSS Center Lindsay and Mekenzie and welcomed potential new members of the committee

Approve Minutes: We did not have the minutes to our last meeting, so this item was tabled.

Statue of Membership of Committee: Jamie shared with the group that the committee has had 3 resignations and has 4 vacancies according to the policy established by the County Commissioners. She went over a brief overview of our committee, our goals, our procedures and what we see our work for the next year. She then asked if there were any questions. There were some questions regarding the structural makeup of the membership. Jamie also asked if they were still interested and all agreed they were. She asked those who have not sent a brief bio to please send it to her. She gave her email address in the chat.

Voting on new Secretary of the Committee: The Chair shared that one of the vacancies left our committee without a secretary and asked for names in nomination. Randy nominated Pat and she accepted the role of Secretary until we have a full committee and then we can again discuss and vote.

Presentation from Moss Center: The Chair asked the MOSS Center to share with our guests the role that they play in helping the committee assisting in the grant application, the scoring matrix and general assistance in this process. They shared that they are funded by the Attorney General Office Opiate Settlement Funds to support the litigating partners and to also to collect data and report out on impact of this funding. They shared what they were able to do for us and an overview of some of the other municipalities, cities and towns. We had some questions in them, helping us to determine our next steps with grant funding and they were extremely helpful. We all agreed to continue this path to ensure the largest impact and investment in these funds and community. We talked about collaboration and improving on this particularly with partners in our country such as Bangor. The MOSS center will be asked back at our next meeting to explore next step possibilities.

Status of Contracts and communication with applicants:

Chair shared that the contracts for all the successful awardees are in the hands of the county lawyer to review, and we are hoping this gets approved soon to be sent out to organizations. We did determine and let organizations know that these contracts will be dated January 1 so they can now start spending these funds. There was discussion regarding getting these checks out and all agreed we need to try to move this forward.

Chair said all successful recipients have been notified and those who did not receive awards were also notified. Chair is in the process of collecting information from both these groups as to how we can improve our process.

There was no new or old business. The next meeting was set for March 10, 2026, at 9:00

Respectfully submitted by: Pat Kimball, Secretary