Yellowstone County DUI Task Force
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Yellowstone County DUI Task Force AOD Symposium Planning Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2026

Present: Haley Swan, Brandon Ihde, Bob Drake, Darla Tyler-McSherry.

The group reviewed the schedule to date, which is mostly complete.

Brandon reached out to Judge Fehr and she agreed to present on the Seize Opportunity and Recover Court (SOAR). She will discuss the interplay of treatment courts with DUI offenders in the community, including monitoring, compliance, and safety while in a community placement.

We now have one time slot to be filled, which is in the Treatment track on Friday, May 14 from 8:00-9:45. The group discussed former presenters Will Janisch and Shane Bancroft. Darla will reach out to check their availability and interest.

Brandon and Darla will meet with the event staff at the DoubleTree shortly after the New Year to discuss menu options for breakfast, explore snack options and address other logistical needs.

Haley and Gabby will once again oversee the Silent Auction.

Darla will apply for the MDT grant which has previously helped support the Symposium.

The group discussed the Opening Ceremonies. We will have the Commissioners present, along with a welcome from law enforcement commanders. Brandon will also coordinate with the Young Marines for their presence. We discussed having a youth choir perform.

Goals for next meeting:

- Finalize schedule.
- Determine the benefits for each sponsor level.
- Strong promotional push prior to end of year and Early Bird Deadline (February 12) $250 fee; $350 afterwards and $375 day of event

Next meeting: Thursday, November 17 11:00-11:30 (to accommodate the RFP review and vote process)