

HOPE Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8, 2026

Location: HOPE Conference Room

1. 1:01pm Call to order made by Jeff Kerr
2. Quorum was established with the following board members present: Jeff Kerr, Jonette Duck, Cody Buff, Chris Brown,
3. Approval of March meeting minutes: Motion made by Jonette Duck, seconded by Cody Buff motion passed.
4. Financial Report:
Motion made to approve Financial Report by Chris Brown, seconded by Cody Buff, motion passed.
5. A. HOPE Report - Crystal
 - a. DAM J.A.M. Update
 - i. \$25,000 in sponsorships, have received \$14,000
 - ii. Flyer coming soon
 - b. Future Garden Plans
 - i. Pryor Creek City Council approved to lease 20,000 square feet of land out at Giles Park at their April 7th council meeting.
 - ii. Planning to start relocating stuff in the summer months.
6. Program Reports
 - a. HOPE4Youth - Chloe
 - i. Currently at National RX and Illicit Drug Summit in Nashville
 - ii. Book marks have been distributed to Chouteau Public schools, Osage Schools, and Thunderbird. Hoping to hear back from more of the schools soon.
 - iii. Still finalizing our handout event, I have run into a few bumps but am working to adapt.
 - iv. Partnering with the PHS leadership class as they prepare a prevention lesson to teach 4th and 5th grade students from each Pryor elementary in the beginning of May.
 - v. Please make sure to like the HOPE4Youth social media and like & share posts.
 1. Facebook: Hope4youth
 2. Instagram: mayescountyhope4youth

vi. I will be doing a Narcan presentation for Thunderbird staff soon, thanks Ronnie for the opportunity! And to TSET for letting me practice with the Farmers Market Managers and providing each market with Narcan and medication lock bags.

b. IMPACT - Marti

- i. Locust Grove Wayfinding signs have been approved and sent to print.
- ii. The first phase of trails at Giles Park is currently being installed
- iii. Mayes County Conservation District is leading a clean up day at Giles Park on April 11, 2026 at 10am.
- iv. Finalized drawing of Adair Traffic Garden, next step is going out for bids to paint.

c. ATG - Natalie

- i. New bees for the hive were donated.
- ii. Working on applying for Paul Knewman Grant which is 50,000 a year.

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business: Scott Wengard is resigning from the Mayes County HOPE Board effective 4/8/2026

9. Announcements:

- a. Jonette is hosting a 5K at The District on April 23, 2026, it is \$35 to participate.
- b. Crystal will be working from home, will keep the board updated on timeline.
- c. Facade Grant - new doors are being painted and then delivered soon.

10. Adjournment - 1:34pm

Motion made by Cody Buff, seconded by Jonette Duck, motion passed.