



# Statewide Council on Opioid Abatement

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Florida League of Cities Appointee

## Virtual Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2025

2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. EST

### Welcome/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Delegate Chair, Sheriff M. Lemma. Roll call was taken by Aaron Platt.

### Attendance Summary

Sheriff Lemma, Delegate Chair

William Hardin for Secretary Taylor Hatch, Vice Chair

Amy Ronshausen, Governor's Appointee

Major Todd Shear, President's Appointee

Commissioner Chris Dougherty, Florida Association of Counties, Appointee

Commissioner Lee Constantine, Florida Association of Counties Appointee

Mayor Keith James, Florida League of Cities Appointee

### Opening Remarks

Sheriff Dennis Lemma opened the meeting by welcoming council members and providing a high-level overview of the agenda. He shared that the purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2025 Opioid Abatement Council recommendations.

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion passed to approve minutes from the September 5, 2025, meeting.

Motion: Council Member Lee Constantine

Second: Council Member Chris Dougherty

### Annual Legislative Report Review, Discussion, Approval

Delegate Chair Lemma reviewed statistics from the past year supporting successful opioid abatement. Fourteen total recommendations are proposed in the 2025 report. A motion to approve the report was made by Council Member Lee Constantine. The motion was seconded by Council Member Chris Dougherty. The motion to approve the report passed with no opposition.

Delegate Chair Lemma informed the Council of a discussion with Broward County Sheriff Dr. Gregory Tony. The Broward County Sheriff's Department launched a training course focused on opioid use disorder and crisis intervention specifically for first responders. Sheriff Dr. Gregory Tony will be invited to present at a future Opioid Abatement Council meeting.

### Public Comment

No comment from the public.

### Closing Remarks

Sheriff Lemma provided closing remarks and thanked council members. The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 PM.