Suffield Local Prevention Council

January 11, 2023 7:00pm Suffield Senior Center

Meeting called to order at 7pm

Board Members Present: Kate Powers, Officer Randy Roman, Jackie Mahannah, Kristina Hallett, Don Miner, Paul Wessling, Marcia DuFore

Board Members not Present: Brian Skorski

Members Present: Captain Robert Palmer, Suzy Irwin, Amy Healy, Megan McCoy, Andrew Rood

Meeting minutes from May 11, 2022, August 10, 2022, October 12, 2022-approved

Chasing Childhood event was well attended-approximately 70 people. Narcan QPR event had approximately 27 people. Will try to get town and travel sports coaches involved in future events. The next event is scheduled for May 4th.

Youth services and SLPC are planning on doing family events monthly going forward at the youth center.

Upcoming Events

Jessica Lahey author of "The addiction Inoculation: Raising Health Kids in a Culture of Dependence" will be doing a presentation on February 15th at 7pm via zoom. She will be talking about ways to prevent substance abuse in families.

April 29th is drug take back day-looking to plan an event around April 26th for the community with a speaker about vaping and mental health. We are looking at getting a DARE officer to speak. The drug collection box will be on-site.

We have Opiod settlement funds to be spent on drug prevention. We are reaching out to the local VFW to see about having a speaker present for the vets about opioids and suicide prevention,

The board voted to approve \$750 to fund *Leave Behind Narcan Kits*. These kits will be stored on the ambulance and left with families when there is an overdose call or concern for a family member.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm

Next meeting – March 8th at 7:00pm.