

MINUTES: 10/10/19 SPC Monthly Lunch Meeting
12 - 1 pm
BOCES Rm 148

Present:

Melissa Harrison
McKenzie Staley
Emily Ray
Dave Siefkes
Matthew Daniels
John Kelly
Marlene Bauman

Sarah Murdock,
Angie Murphy
Robin Carnes
Janna Lee
Aaron Preece
Eric Canen
Joey Burke

Tamara Currah
Sarah Hixson
jackie Downie
Randy Belton
Trisha Scott
John Kelly
Robert Galbreath

Agenda Items:

1. John Kelly: Report from Chair
2. Joey Burke and coalition members: Report on Life. Are You Ready?
3. Matthew Daniels and Aaron Preece: Suicide Prevention Awareness Month report.
4. Trisha: Vaping and tobacco updates
5. Eric Canen, WYSAC: PNA presentation

12:00: John Kelly: brief overview of grant and statement of work for new members.

12:08: Joey Burke and coalition members report on 10/8 Life. Are You Ready event: 258 freshman and sophomore students from both school districts and approx 10 home schooled students attended. Event was staffed by over 30 agencies, and had 107 community volunteers. Feedback so far is that volunteers and agencies (SCSO, WHP, EMS, SAR, SCRHCD, Coroner, Unified Fire) want to repeat next year. Will have debrief in 2 weeks with all agencies to assess all agencies involved and note what to drop and what to improve for next year. Observations from coalition members: Mock crash was impactful, was good for all to observe what exactly happens in a vehicle crash, “first responders are heroes”; good to have fire and medical talk to kids about their education and training for those jobs, good to observe positive and fun interactions with kids and LE. May need to check into reason kids were “passing out” at the medical station. Video and photos on SPC website.

12:15: Matthew Daniels and Aaron Preece: Suicide Prevention Awareness Month events reached over 250 people, face to face, at 2 Candlelight walks and 4 film and discussion events across the county. Businesses stepped up and donated services and food for events: Pinedale Online, Flick n Pins, Old Stones Pizza, and Subway. Matt D. noted that suicide prevention is “less controversial” than alcohol and tobacco prevention, for business. Noted for next year: Low attendance from students at the film events is a “decrease stigma” issue. Will require more outreach and QPR training for youth groups to get kids used to talking about mental health, and attend films and discussion. Task force acquired new members during September events: McKenzie Staley, who will help develop social media platform

(instagram) to reach youth, and Melissa Harrison, who is planning International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day event at Pinedale library Nov 23rd. QPR trainers have now trained 15 Gatekeepers. QPR trainings open to public will be on website calendar.

12:25: Trisha: Tobacco and Vape task force met 10/3 and heard report on vape detector status from Principal Makelky, report on efforts to reach and educate parents at sports and parent teacher conference nights, and local and state law and policy updates. Principal Makelky will contact Rev Melinda Bobo to apply for a grant from the Episcopal Diocese for vape detectors in every bathroom. Principal Makelky will provide (confiscated) vapes to Emily Ray at SCRHCD for providers to use to educate parents. Principal Shaw from Skyline Academy will track vape detector data to measure work plan goals. See minutes for details.

12:30: Eric Canen, WYSAC, presentation on Sublette PNA results and how they drive and inform the Sublette Prevention Work Plan.

1:00: Adjourn formal meeting