



**LCC Meeting Minutes**

<b>Coalition Name and County</b>	Partners for a Drug Free Cass County
<b>Meeting Date and Time</b>	August 16 and 12pm-1pm
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Revolution
<b>Minutes Drafted Date</b>	9/1/2021

Attendees
Tiffany Hamilton (z), Rick Hollering, Nikki Malott, Autumn Slaughter (s), Josh Mosier, Rob Miller, John Rogers (z), Will Scott, Dave Wegner, Chuck Newton, Karli Armstrong, Jae Miller, Jennifer Lombard (z), Eric Regan

Meeting Notes (Old/New Business, Decisions, Agendas)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New members welcome- Introductions (if I missed anyone please let me know)</li> <li>• Josh Mosier- Indiana State Excise Police, Rob Miller- Indiana State Excise Police, Megan Horton- SOC coordinator</li> <li>• Approval of June minutes tabled until next meeting- Nikki will re-send</li> <li>• Treasurer Report- passed around spreadsheet, last updated in June. Nikki will update for September meeting. Any questions can be directed to Steve or Nikki. No issues noted.</li> <li>• If there are any concerns about spending your money, we can start to address this in the coming months.</li> <li>• Attendance log is being passed around. As a group we need to decide if we want to require more than 6 meetings of attendance since we are technically on a 15-month schedule, not a 12-month schedule. Also need 2 hours of time working an event, many people met this around Fair time, we have 2 more events coming up that you can get your hours in too. Group collectively agreed to keep attendance at the 6 meetings and 2 hours to apply for funding.</li> <li>• 4H Report- Fair went well, survey numbers are down, but everyone enjoyed the giveaways and the game that was played. Overall success. Weather could have been better.</li> <li>• Survey results are tallied, so far. Still only have about 130 surveys even with online access. Please continue to promote and share. We need more surveys to have effective data.</li> <li>• Healthy Kids Day Report- Some said it was hard to tell the turn out because people were coming and going. Others reported a lot more kids than expected. Chuck stated he liked that it was outside. Overall a successful event.</li> <li>• Rick extended invite to attend the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition meeting at Revolution at 11:30am tomorrow, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Revolution is providing a lunch and it will be a very important meeting, acting as a kick off with the new school year starting. It is open to the community and we encourage more partners to come and get involved with the coalition.</li> <li>• Naloxbox Update- Jason at Emmaus has completed all necessary documents and Overdose Lifeline is sending the boxes. Once they are received Emmaus will work to get them mounted</li> </ul>

and then the paper will be contacted to share a press release. Thank you all for your help with this. Chuck says Kiwanis could possibly purchase one or two additional boxes if we secure more locations. Also a Kiwanis member would like donate one in memory of a loved one they lost to an overdose. Dave at the library was interested and the library board said no. Nikki states that the new administration at the Salvation Army should be starting soon and a meeting will need to be scheduled for introductions and to present the idea for a Naloxbox at their location. The previous administration was interested but was leaving the state for a new location.

- Rick presented information on new events. September Social will be in the parking lot at Revolution, they will have a band, dunk tank with officers in it, possibly Berry Boosters doing a fundraiser, free food, giveaways, etc. Anyone can come to the event in the community. Any organization is allowed to come set up a booth with resources and a game. Take the information back to your organizations and see if anyone would like to set something up that day. Many DFC members will be there and volunteering. September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 5pm-7pm.
- Rick and Jennifer introduced the idea for the IYI Café in October. It will be a Substance Abuse panel from 5:30-7. Most cafes are during the day and IYI provides lunch this one will do a dinner. It will also occur during Red Ribbon Week so as students are learning about Red Ribbon Week the parents will have an event to attend. The panel has not been decided, if anyone has suggestions we are open to ideas. Jennifer says IYI can provide data specific to the county. We want to have someone from many different sectors involved. Possibly law enforcement, larger employees, schools, parents, etc. We will need to think of what sectors could be there and how substance abuse impacts their sector. This will be a no kids allowed event. This will be promoted heavily in the coming months, Jennifer will get information for a flyer soon, this will be live streamed and broadcasted. We would like to have resource tables at this event too. It will likely be a 1-hour presentation with some time to eat. Chuck suggested maybe have youth speak.
- Red Ribbon Week- need some date suggestions, October 18-22<sup>nd</sup> is Fall Break for local schools. October 23-31 is Red Ribbon Week. Dave and Chuck suggested October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Nikki suggested using the High School cafeteria instead of McHale, may get to get more High School students involved by doing this? Nikki will reach out to administration office about this. Elementary does the poster contest, middle/jr high does essays, maybe high school can send volunteers again? Nikki will work on logistics.
- SOC update- Megan from 4 County is coordinator for the SOC, she wants to make sure the SOC is reaching more people. It is more than just mental health. Chuck mentioned again the idea of quarterly meetings with all of the groups together to provide updates and collaborate more. We need to be more integrated.
- Excise Police- Josh Mosier and Rob Miller are from excise. (Indiana ATC) Rob Miller is assigned to Cass County. He just transferred and has not yet met everyone in the district he works in. There are only 4 officers for 15 counties, gets difficult to keep up with everything. Excise is in charge of alcohol and tobacco law enforcement. Their jobs are to keep substances out of youth hands. They are in charge of compliance checks, making sure liquor and tobacco stores are in compliance and have necessary permits. They regulate violations, most are admin violations which means the person selling does not have consequences, but the business itself receives the violation. This means most will pay their fine and continue to operate. Usually don't get to areas unless they are following up on a report. So many places and not enough officers to do it all. Most of their work comes from anonymous complaints of juveniles getting alcohol and tobacco. It takes community members to let them know so they can address issues. Also youth can be hired to help. Usually 16 and 17 year olds are hired by Indiana University to attempt to purchase substances, they cannot lie, they have to be truthful. Many times places will not card or will tell them just to say what their birth date is and they will sell to them

anyway. It takes the community to help with these checks. We need to help hold businesses accountable.

- Big issue with youth is fake ids. They often start vaping around 10 or 11! Delta 8 is also becoming a problem too and there are no state regulations on that. Just like CBD there is no regulation. Delta 8 is stronger than CBD. There is no legislature limiting Delta 8.
- Eric shared information on Faces of Recovery event, on Saturday August 21<sup>st</sup> from 11am-3pm. Will have food provided by Tyson, It is at McHale Complex at Riverside.
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