

Minutes Notes - Community Meeting on Opioids
September 11, 2018 @Old School Community Center

Present: Jennifer Fitzgerald, Nicki Steel, Lorraine Chastant, Alice Greenspan, Cindy Hayford, Scott Tucker, Lauren Harkawik, Elizabeth McEwen, Trudy Mueller, Joan Judd, Rachel Newton, Robin Rieske, Sarah Shippee, Angel Balch, Rhondie Gleason, Jill Robart, Scott's daughter, Karen Molina, Dave Rosso, Scott Moore, Lisa Croce, Joe Szarejko, Cheryl Rusin

After welcoming new participants, Cindy announced that there are over 45 people on our list of attendees.

Lorraine Chastant facilitated an activity to create Guiding Principles (How do we want to match our actions to OUR community?)

Principles presented from four groups:

- Foster openness, receptiveness and support within the community
- Compassion, listening and understanding
- Valuing individuals' voices and their differing backgrounds and knowledge
- Understanding that this is about people suffering in pain

Lorraine has asked that group members respond to Cindy to add any other principles that would be important for our group.

Elizabeth McEwen facilitated a review of 4 areas of concern for the group.

- What does opioid protection look like in our community?
- What does support for users and families look like?
- What does opioid prevention look like?
- What does opioid awareness look like in a community?

Cindy facilitated an activity in which attendees examined their styles of working through Compass points

East - Creative, flexible, visionary

North - Relationship, non-confrontational, team player

West - What steps are needed, plan and organize everything first

South - Action oriented, plunge right in without a plan

Met in self-selected interest groups listed above, answering the following questions:

What do we already know?

What do we need to know?

What do we do with the information?