**MINUTES OF THE LOCAL ARE NETWORK 2**

**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**February 6, 2024**

**Present:** Katie Karns, Sue Thom, Janice Crow, Michele Draper, Vickie Rose, Holly Kotner, Katie Bangs, Stacia Penrod, Tonya Taylor, Megan Johnson, Teri Pate, Casey Maloney, Lindsey Schroeder, Mary Agin, John Shadowens, Lakota Myers, Matt Buckman, Angie Messmer, Ashley Walls, Leanett Lovell, Jessica Palozzolo

**Welcome/Introductions:** Stacia Penrod welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

**Updates:**

* Janice – Region 20 had the Needs Assessment was published in July. We have been working on two of the actions with the action council and will start looking into a new action at the next meeting.
* John – U of I have had the first steering committee meeting and is looking into ways to help create new opportunities to help kids. The next meeting will be on March 6th at 4pm at East Side School and is open to everyone. Tri-State Food Bank is in New Haven on the third Wednesday of the month.
* Matt – Stress and Trauma Treatment Center is participating in Safe from the Start which is a program for birth to 5 in Illinois, the planning initiative will be starting soon. Working on Youth Empowerment geared towards decreased bullying. School based mental health project applications is open until February 23rd. Parenting program will be in person in Carbondale and will have another on Zoom.
* Jessica – Lincoln Prairie has it’s next CEU training on March 12th on Navigating the Impact of Technology in Child & Adolescent Development. The Keeping it Together Conference is on June 5th.
* Katie – Project AWARE grant is hiring both through the school and EHD. If you know anyone for these positions, please pass the info along.
* Stacia – Project Connect 3.0 has been working with the eval team on getting the student surveys going. Currently writing for 4.0 which will be based around our crisis services.

**Monthly/Quarterly Goals/Needs:**

* We need more people working in the field. Want to find ways to get people involved and more interns coming to the area.

**Upcoming Community Events and Trainings:**

* Will have the next PACE Meeting on 2/8/24
* Suicide Prevention Paint Night on 3/21/24
* Southern IL Drug Conference 3/13 & 3/14/24
* Common Grounds Conference 3/21/24
* EHD Triple P Parenting Group starts 4/4/24 from 4:30-6:30

**Presentation** – Lakota Myers for the Survivor Empowerment Center

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<https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/intimatepartnerviolence/teendatingviolence/fastfact.html>

<https://www.joinonelove.org/cadence-ford/>

<https://www.joinonelove.org/our-education/>

If anyone has any flyers or information that you would like to have sent out in the LAN e-mail announcement or would like to present, please send that to Katie Karns at [kkarns@egyptian.org](mailto:kkarns@egyptian.org) by the third Monday of the month.

\*\*\*The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2024\*\*\* *Minutes by Katie Karns*