Litchfield Prevention Council Regular Meeting Town Hall Annex, Bantam December 10, 2015 7:00 PM

**Present:** Elisa Bauer, Robert Berson, Marion Pettinicchi, Meredith Shafer, Kevin Tieman

Excused: Nicholas Fitzgerald, Kelly Garden, Dana Moore

Also present: Gary Waugh

Call to Order: K. Tieman, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

Appointment of Alternates: None

Approval of Minutes: B. Berson moved to approve the minutes of November 10, 2015, seconded by, M. Pettinicchi, all aye motion passed.

E. Bauer arrived at 7:25.

Treasurer Report: Balance is \$9,322.21 via email from N. Fitzgerald, Treasurer

## **Old Business:**

Meet & Greet Review: Several parents attended the recent "Meet and Greet". Activities and suggestions were discussed and several volunteered to help with upcoming events.

Notes from K. Garden: Liaison meeting with K. DellaVolpe: Students do not sign a "no substance pledge" but they do sign the handbook agreement, which states zero tolerance. School mascot costume was donated by STPC and worn by a student volunteer; currently it is not being used because there is not a student volunteer.

We still do not have an answer on a school liaison.

Kristen DellaVolpe is willing to assist us in applying for a grant that would be used for assistance by the McCall Foundation. K. Garden will contact Allison Fulton for assistance in finding a grant to apply for and suggests inviting someone from McCall's to attend the next meeting.

Safe home initiative needs organizing and ideas on how to begin the process. Suggestion is to have some specifics ready to discuss with parents at home basketball games. E. Bauer will contact A. Fulton for information from other councils that may have this program.

Courage to Speak: K. Garden met with Jennifer Murphy explaining the program and requested presenting it to all students in grades four through six. She is waiting to hear back from Jennifer. K. Garden is also suggesting presenting to the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades as well. She is requesting money to be encumbered for presentation by Ginger Katz in the spring. E. Bauer moved to appropriate up to \$4500.00 for G. Katz presentations in the spring of 2016, seconded by B. Berson, all ayes, motion passed.

<u>Project Purple-Sweatshirts/Basketball:</u> K. Tieman did contact Sportsman's for prices on sweatshirts and t-shirts. Hoodies are \$25.00, t-shirts \$15.00. He suggests white and purple shirts with our logo & Litchfield Prevention Council embossed on them. B. Berson motioned to allocate up to \$1500.00 for the purpose of purchasing shirts and sweatshirts for Project Purple. Seconded by E. bauer, all ayes motion passed. K Tieman will order shirts for delivery in January 2016.

New Business: None

Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Sweatshirts, Courage to Speak, substance free homes, zero tolerance policy, McCall's grant writing, introduction to PAL

## Adjournment:

M. Shafer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m., B. Berson seconded, all ayes, motion passed.

Transcribed by E. Bauer, Secretary

K. Tieman, Chair