

SI SUPRT Meeting Minutes
Saline-Gallatin County
December 3, 2025
12:00 via Zoom

In Attendance:

1. Misty Eftink
2. Kiesha Fromm
3. Katie Unthank
4. Ernie Fowler
5. Vincent Falzone
6. Angela Towne
7. Theresa Oxford
8. Shyla Hernandez
9. Kimberly Scott-Pilkington
10. Erin Rochford (SIRAC)
11. Dr. Michael Blain
12. Kindra York
13. Chris Dennis
14. Haley Smith
15. Drew Donelson
16. Samantha Lampley
17. Jerrie Baxley-Brown
18. Stacey Miller
19. Misty Smith
20. Johanna Gonzalez
21. Matt Shaffer
22. Haley Smith
23. Beverly Holland
24. Sarah Foster

Introductions and Welcome

- Approve November Meeting Minutes. Kiesha Motioned, Seconded by Kindra
- New member introductions
 - Erin Rochford – SIRAC
 - Spirit of Shawneetown Event – 9 AM to 12 PM at City Hall
 - December 10 – Parents in Recovery Virtual Support Group
 - 10 AM Session and 6 PM Session

- Children are welcome at the 6 PM session
- Angela Towne – SIU SOM CRHSSD
 - Open Door Recovery Group (SMART Recovery) – Virtual
 - Thursdays from 6 PM to 7 PM
 - There is an intake process
 - Geared toward LGBTQ+ and Allies in recovery
- Samantha Lampley – Regional Office of Education, Community Prevention Resources

New and Standing Coalition Reports:

- SI SUPRT Community Survey reminder: Chris Dennis
 - Will end on December 8
 - Currently have 133 responses + a few dozen paper surveys to enter
 - Please continue to share
- ILNG Counterdrug Task Force Drug Trend Report:
 - Vincent Falzone presented several overdose data resources, emphasizing the IDPH overdose data dashboard and the NORC tool for analyzing trends across different states and counties. He noted that in 2023, there were 3,360 total overdose deaths in Illinois, with a significant percentage involving opioids and stimulants.
 - Drug task force currently works in Franklin and Saline Counties
 - Methamphetamine primary drug they are seeing
 - Some fentanyl and some cocaine
- Strategic Plan Overview: Chris Dennis
 - We need to create an Outreach and Communication Plan
 - What thoughts do council members have on how to reduce stigma within our communities?
 - Go to local high schools and have peers in recovery share their story
 - Talk about self-stigma
 - MAT/MAR Outreach – How do we effectively do this?
 - Explain how it works, how it's used, and where to access it
 - Recovery Out Loud
 - Sharing events, what's happening to stakeholders for them to promote the Recovery Movement.
 - Getting faces of recovery out there – small videos
 - Coffee with a Peer
 - At local libraries or coffee shops
 - Open Mic Night
 - County and/or Community Forum

- Reaching new stakeholders / those who may not initially support or understand the power of recovery
- Southern Illinois Recovery Network: Mike Tyson
 - Shyla informed everyone about planning for the next SIRN Conference for May 2026.
 - Next SIRN meeting is on December 10.
 - SIRN is now a 501C3 and has a Board of Directors.
- Narcan/Naloxone/Overdose Report, Naloxone Distribution Box, Fentanyl and Xylazine Test Strips: Drew Donelson, Katie Unthank
 - November 2025 Numbers
 - Number trained – 115
 - Number of kits distributed – 750
 - Lower numbers due to challenges receiving naloxone
 - Currently have fentanyl and xylazine test strips.
- Substance Use Disorder Staff Updates: Jerrie Baxley
 - Level 2 Intensive Outpatient to begin soon (hopefully early 2026)
- Motion to Adjourn made by Kindra, Seconded by Shyla. Next meeting is January 7, 2026