

Ogle/DeKalb ROSC Minutes

03/18/2026

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Attendees- Gerald Lott (SVVOR Executive Director), Elliot Grace (Assistant ROSC Coordinator/Outreach Mgr) Ben Rudolph (ROSC TA), Jake Albers(Ogle/DeKalb ROSC Coordinator), Katrina Valencia , (Sinnissippi Centers SUPR Supervisor), Brandi O'Rorke (SVVOR Recovery Coach Supervisor), Ali T (DeKalb Area Alano), Jenna Borg (Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling), Marissa Thompson (OMNI Youth Services), Penny Stark (RCA St. Charles, SVVOR Board Member), Erika Hahn (OMNI Prevention Specialist), Steven McBride (SVVOR Recovery Coach), Alexis Heckler (Oregon Clinician Sinnissippi Centers)

RCO Report - Gerald Lott

- We had 21 intakes in February which is on par with last year at this time. There were also several failed intakes. We are working to streamline the process to lose less. - Primarily alcohol, and then meth. OSF was our biggest referrer.
- Upcoming Easter Egg Hunt in DeKalb on 4/12/2026 @ Hopkins Park Shelter - DeKalb gaining traction with referrals since Steve's return to SVVOR - SVVOR was awarded funding to purchase a fully loaded recovery van. The plan is to create a set schedule and park the van in areas of opportunity to support and educate people on the resources SVVOR provides and for onsite recovery coaching. - Recovery High School continues to push for fall 2027 opening.
- Gerlad shared info on all of the current support groups and upcoming events. PLEASE follow us on FB. We have information on EVERYTHING going on with SVVOR and it's always current!

Guest Speaker- Jenna Borg (RSAC)

- I am a therapist for RSAC
- We accept clients from Ogle, Winnebago, and Boone counties
- RSAC offers FREE counseling services, with all staff being trained with a minimum of 40hrs on Sexual Assault.
- RSAC currently refers people in active addiction to SVVOR for services. (Thank you!) - RSAC offers support groups based on necessity and interest from the community.

Recovery Friendly Workplace: Penny Stark (RCA St. Charles, SVVOR Board member) -

- Currently working on presenting a survey to different chambers of commerce to "take the temperature" of employers.
- Do they know about it? Are they interested in getting involved, what are some of the barriers?
- Also in need of strongly updating the website offered for RFW and keeping current. Would like to have educational pieces to share from other RFW's

**What Can ROSC Do For You? Jake Albers (Ogle/DeKalb ROSC Coordinator)
Katrina Valencia (Sinnissippi Centers SUPR Supervisor)**

- Wellness in Recovery Event coming up, but don't quite have all the details ready yet, will share when available.

Marta Jarka (NM Ben Gordan Center)

- IDHS Grant for pregnant women with substance abuse. This will offer support in childcare while they are in treatment. Will also help with transportation needs.