



Ridgefield Prevention Council

AGENDA

Date

June 1, 2026 6:00 PM Eastern Time

Special Meeting

Location

ZOOM

Register in advance for this webinar:

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RPC Mission Statement

The Ridgefield Prevention Council supports a safe and healthy environment for all Ridgefield families through awareness, education and positive alternatives to alcohol and other substance use and to reduce high-risk youth behaviors

"Ridgefield Prevention Council meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility."

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at: _____

Attendance

Denise Santangelo
Karen Facini
Kim Carone
Will Knispel
Sarah Lorenzini
Sara Myjak
Jennifer Englert
Mike Bonheim
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Approval Items

A. Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve/amend agenda

B. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve April 27, 2026 meeting minutes

Treasurer's Report

- Presented by: Karen Facini
- **Action:** Approve / Discuss budget status

Chairperson Report – Denise Santangelo

Updates (Informational)

- Quarterly report submitted (4/23/26)
- LPC funds – status update
- Board member outreach → inactive members removed; openings available
- New appointment: Sara Myjak - Secretary
- New interested member: Jennifer Englert
- Website & social media - Siera

Key Initiatives (Discussion + Action Needed)

SpireBALL (SpireTHERAPY created and sponsored, also RPC Sponsored?)

POINT PERSON: DENISE

- Status of sign-ups
- Insurance needs?
- PTA collaboration w/Mike Bonheim
- **Action:** Point person assigned: Denise + confirm next steps

Annual Community Survey;

POINT PERSON:

- Should this be distributed annually?
- **Action:** Decide + assign lead

Event Calendar & Budget (2025–2026)

- Review all planned events
- Identify gaps
- **Action:** Assign owners + confirm budget alignment

Event Reports & Ownership

Current & Ongoing Events

Each event must have:

- Budget status
 - Next action step
 - POINT PERSON ASSIGNED TO EACH UPCOMING EVENT
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SpireBALL League

POINT PERSON: DENISE

- Status update
 - Locations (summer/fall/winter)
 - Team formation + uniforms
 - **Action:** Confirm timeline + secure locations
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Movie Night (Past Event Review)

- Outcome + feedback
- **Action:** Decide if repeating

2026/2027 - **POINT PERSON:**

Pizza Box Campaign (988 Awareness)

POINT PERSON:

- Should this be distributed annually?
 - **Action:** Decide + assign lead
 - Sticker progress
 - Lounsbury collaboration
 - **Action:** Finalize production + rollout
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Pizza & Prevention in the Park (Sept 2026)

POINT PERSON:

- Event concept approved
 - **Action Needed:**
 - Assign full event team
 - Confirm location
 - Begin sponsor outreach
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Suicide Prevention Week (Sept 6–12, 2026)

POINT PERSON:

- Partnership with PRIDE
 - Visibility campaign (banners, press, signage)
 - **Action:** Confirm collaboration + assign media lead
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New Business (Discussion + Assignment Required)

New Member Applicant

- Sara Myjak
 - **Action:** Vote or move to next step
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Board Structure & Engagement

- Assign members to specific events
 - **Action:** Each member leaves with a defined role
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Ridgefield Town Party – May 31, 2026

POINT PERSON:

- Table participation
 - **Action:** Confirm attendees + materials
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New Hire (Community Collaboration Role)

- What should this role accomplish?
 - **Action:** Define responsibilities
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Community Addiction Needs Analysis

POINT PERSON:

- Lead: TBD
 - **Action:** Assign project lead
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Narcan / QPR Training (May – National Prevention Week)

POINT PERSON:

- Host event or promote existing ones
 - **Action:** Assign coordinator immediately (time-sensitive)
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Grad Party Donation

- Confirm acknowledgment recipient
 - **Action:** Assign contact
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Superintendent & PTA Collaboration

POINT PERSON: DENISE

- Status update
 - **Action:** Assign liaison - Mike Bonheim? Ask to join RPC?
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Upcoming Deadlines (Awareness Only)

- May 10–16: National Prevention Week - NARCAN TRAINING...POINT PERSON:
- May 19: LPC Leadership Meeting
- June 15: Funds must be used
- July 15: Final report due

Future Event Planning

Recurring Annual Event Series

- Topics:
 - Parent Support & Prevention - Pizza in the Park
 - Event Date: AUGUST
 - **POINT PERSON: DENISE**
 - Recovery & Suicide Awareness
 - Event Date: Movie Night?
 - **POINT PERSON:**
 - Vaping/Smoking Awareness – Sept 2026
 - Event Date: September?
 - **POINT PERSON:**
 - Holiday stroll - table
 - Halloween Stroll - Table
 - Pride in the Park - Logo sponsorship
 - Summer Fest - Logo sponsorship
 - Baseball Banner - jensen Field
 - Soccer - \$1,000
 - Vp sponsorship - \$1,000
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 - **FUTURE BRANDING OPPS:**
 - **FALL SPORTS -**
 - **FIELD HOCKEY,**
 - **SOCCER**
 - **BASKETBALL**
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Battle of the Bands (End of Summer)

POINT PEOPLE: DENISE &

- Potential collaboration with CHIRP or Ridgefield Playhouse
 - **Action:** Explore feasibility + assign lead
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Safe Rides Program

POINT PERSON:

- PTA collaboration
- **Action:** Status update + next steps

Open Floor

- Additional ideas / comments

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn
- Meeting adjourned at: _____