

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)
Morris County Human Services Building, 1 Medical Drive Morris Plains, New Jersey
June 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson David Haggerty at 2:32pm. Members present:

Christie Farber	Beth Jacobson
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro	David Johnson
Juli Harpell-Elam	Dave Johnston
David Haggerty	Chris Mueller
Neville Newton	Laura Siemonsma-Bertelli
Jessica Mondino	Samantha Denegri

Guests: Margaret Hefferle, Preeti Patel, Laura Vargas, Warren Ververs, Jennifer Amaya, Ellie Pluto

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member Tara Prezioso, seconded by member Samantha Denegri the committee approved the minutes of the May 17, 2018 regular meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS

Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)

Jim Saylor reported that there were currently 5 juveniles in custody of the JJC.

Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)

Dave Johnston reported; Morris DCP&P had a total of 256 referrals: Morris East 113, West 143; 115 CPS, 28 CWS.

Dave reported that while the amount of cases is rising, they are also becoming more complicated

Department of Children and Families (DCF)

Dave Johnston noted that there were no public notices currently on the DCF website. He also stated that the website was under construction but the emergency information can still be found.

Youth Services Coordinator Report

Jessica Mondino reported that she has received the preliminary award letter from the state, it now needs to be signed by the freeholders and sent back to the state for the attorney general to review and sign.

Unified Funding

Jessica Mondino spoke about the provider information session that took place on June 8. There was about 70 attendants

Bridging the Gap Network

Next meeting will be July 17 at 10am at OTA

Nurtured Heart

Chrstitie Farber did a presentation for the American Association of Coders on CSOC and Nurtured Heart.

FIS has a new NH trainer, Kattya Koenigsburg

Rebecca Tritt (Substance use navigator) is also a certified trainer.

Stigma Free

Beth Jacobson reported that the committee met on May 8. There are now 33 towns that are stigma free. Ms. Jacobson also announced that the annual public forum would be held on June 21st from 5-7:30 at the Haggerty Center. The next meeting is August 14.

Juvenile Detention Center/Youth Shelter

The JDC currently has three (3) residents: two (2) males, 1 from Morris, 1 from Hunterdon

Currently they have seven (7) residents: five (5) males and two (2) females. 3 from Morris, 3 from Warren, and 1 from Sussex.

JDAI

Jessica Mondino reported that the subcommittees have been formed and they will begin meeting in August.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning

The planning committee met on June 11

Next Meeting: July 9 at 10:00 a.m. at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Systems Review

Met on April 23, 2018

Next meeting: July 23, 2018 at 9:30am at CMO, 200 Valley Rd Mt Arlington

Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program

Met on June 14, 2018

Will be scheduling the next class for the end of July or August

Next Meeting: September 13 2018 11:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Education Partnership

Met on May 24.

Next Meeting: July 26, 2018 1:30pm at Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Juvenile Review Committee (JRC)

The committee did not meet on June 14 due to there only being 2 morris youth in both facilities.

Next Meeting: June 28 at 9:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**All hand outs will be redistributed via e-mail.*

- Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro from FIS announced that their COO Diane Williams will be leaving FIS and Going to JBWS as their CEO and President. FIS is look for a new COO
- Juli Harpell-Elam also announced that JBWS' Center for Non Violence has moved to 1055 Parsippany Blvd.
- Margaret Hefferle asked about the Developmental Disabilities subcommittee. Jessica Mondino informed the committee that she, in partnership with DAWN Center for Independent Living, were working to create a DD subcommittee as directed by CSOC. More information will be given on this initiative in July.
- Diane Coloney from Atlantic Home Care and Hospice, talked about their camp for youth who have experienced a loss (death of family member). It is called Camp Clover
 - Camp Clover offers fun, interactive and educational activities to help with the grieving process as well as traditional camp activities which include swimming, sports and arts and crafts. It is our hope that children will emerge from their camp experience with new coping skills to help them in their journey through their grief.
 - Camp Clover is staffed by professional grief counselors and trained volunteers and will run from August 14th through August 17th, 2018.
 - Camp Clover is funded by donations and is FREE to all children.
 - Additionally camp will provide busing and lunch.

- Camp Clover is located on the grounds of Camp Riverbend, 116 Hillcrest Road, Warren, NJ.
- The first part of the July YSAC meeting will be a closed meeting to approve the Funding recommendations, Plan and Application. The second part from about 3pm-3:45pm will be a focus group for the 2019 County Comprehensive Plan for Alcohol and Drug Abuse, facilitated by Beth Jacobson.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 2:30 PM at 1 Medical Dr Morris Plains

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 2:55 pm, Ingrid Vaca- Bullaro moved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Mondino
Youth Services Coordinator

Original is signed and kept on file at the office of the Division of Community and Behavioral Health Services.