

**MINUTES**  
**MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)**  
**Morris County Human Services Building, 1 Medical Drive Morris Plains, New Jersey**  
**January 17, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Maria Augustowicz at 2:31pm. Members present:

Maria Augustowicz	Jessica Mondino
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro	Beth Jacobson
Jackie Looby	David Johnson
Dave Johnston	Chris Mueller
Jim Saylor	Laura Siemonsma-Bertelli
Cindy Cuenca	Jeena Williams
Jill Cerullo	Samantha Denegri

Guests: Stacy Chia, Kerry Krauss, Jim Mahoney, Rebecca Tritt, Steve Nebesni, Hara Mohammed, Jen Amaya, Laura Riley

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of member Tara Prezioso seconded by member Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro the committee approved the minutes of the September 20, 2018 regular meeting.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

There was a presentation from the Academy of Clinical & Applied Psychoanalysis (ACAP). ACAP is a Mental Health School and Resource Center.

They provide

- Teaching and trainings
- Psychoanalytical program
- Workshops
- In-service
- Masters courses
- Post master courses
- For more information <https://www.acapnj.org/>

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Jessica Mondino handed and went over the following paperwork

- 2019 Fact Sheet
- 2019 By-laws
- 2019 Committee dates
- Member Information

### **2019 Subcommittee Sign Ups**

Jessica Mondino briefly described each of the YSAC subcommittees and their meeting dates and time. The signup sheets were sent around through the committee

## **2019 YSAC Chair Vote**

Nominated parties were asked to exit the room for voting and discussion. Member David Johnson presented the 2019 YSAC slate of officers. David Johnston was nominated to a 2019 term as Chair. After discussion, on motion by member David Johnson, the committee approved the 2019 YSAC Chair position. (11-Aye; 0-Nay; 2-Abstain). Margaret Pittaluga was nominated to a 2019 term as Co-Chair. After discussion, on motion by member David Johnson, the committee approved the 2019 YSAC Co-Chair position. (11-Aye; 0-Nay; 2-Abstain)

## **STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS**

### **Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)**

Jim Saylor reported: There are currently 5 youth in the custody of the JJC. 1 has started parole planning

### **Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)**

Jeena Williams reported; Morris DCP&P had a total of 246 referrals: Morris East 127; West 119

Jeena also reported that the review will begin on March 18<sup>th</sup>. A small number of randomly selected families will be reviewed.

### **Department of Children and Families (DCF)**

Jeena Williams reported there are some federal funding opportunities.

- Housing for domestic violence survivors
- Strengthening families
- Child advocacy centers

More info [NJ.gov/dcf](http://NJ.gov/dcf)

### **Youth Services Coordinator Report**

Jessica Mondino reported that the plan and application was on its way to the Attorney General's office.

### **Unified Funding**

There is no next meeting scheduled at this time.

### **Bridging the Gap Network**

Steve reported that the committee met on 1/15. Had a case review and the next meeting is March 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Nurtured Heart**

Steve Nebesni will be working on the Morris Greatness facebook page. The global summit will be in July and there will be a northern region super user meeting on February 6.

## **Stigma Free**

Beth Jacobson reported that we met on 1/15. We are putting together a toolkit for the schools and getting more schools involved. The committee is also working to rebrand and spruce up the website as well as working on publicity and creating a tag line "Start a Conversation Save a Life" the next meeting will be 3/19 at 2pm

## **Juvenile Detention Center/Youth Shelter**

For the month the shelter had eleven (10) residents.

Currently they have five (5) residents: three (3) males and two (2) female. 3 from Morris 2 from Passaic

The JDC currently has 5 Males; 2 from Morris 2 from Hudson and 1 from Warren. 4 have 1<sup>st</sup> degree charges and 1 has 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **JDAI**

Jessica Mondino reported the full meeting was held on January 17. Data was reviewed as well as a discussion on funding and the eligibility criteria for funding. The criteria will be released in April.

There was a brief discussion on possible ideas to use the innovations funding for.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Planning**

Next Meeting: March 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical

### **Systems Review**

Next meeting: February 4, 2019 at 9:30am at CMO, 200 Valley Rd Mt Arlington

### **Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program**

Next Meeting: March 14, 2019 11:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

### **Education Partnership**

Next Meeting: January 24, 2019 1:30pm at Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

### **Juvenile Review Committee (JRC)**

Next Meeting: January 24, 2019 at 9:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

### **Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee**

Next Meeting: January 29, 2019 at 2:30pm 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.*

- Dave Johnston from Deirdre's House gave out flyers for their annual Wine and Whisky Tasting Fundraiser which will be held April 5 at 6pm.
- Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro from FIS spoke briefly about the learning collab between FIS, New Bridge and The Center for Prevention which will be beginning in March, more information to come.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 2:30 PM at 1 Medical Dr Morris Plains

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 3:09 pm, Tara Prezioso 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.*