

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)
Morris County Human Services Building, 1 Medical Drive Morris Plains, New Jersey
February 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dave Johnston at 2:34pm. Members present:

Holly Dinney
Maria Augustowicz
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro
Juli Harpell-Elam
Dave Johnston
Jim Saylor
Jessica Mondino
Sandy Gogerty

Kim Johnson
Lenora Humphrey
Chris Mueller
Kathy Defillippo
Laura Siemonsma-Bertelli
Jeena Williams
Samantha Denegri

Guests: Jim Mahoney, Carly Sinnot, Steve Nebesni, Rebecca Tritt, Jessica Raczyx, Laura Vargas, Beth Jacobson, Denise Nausedas, Theresa Alanzo, Jo Poticello, Felicia Wanamaker, Sharon Melahn, Beth Young, Rachel Delade, Kelly Canzone, Kingsley Agedi, Gail Greenbaum
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member, Maria Augustowicz seconded by member Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro the committee approved the minutes of the November 21, 2019 regular meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Carly Sinnot from Prevention is Key presented on the Strategic Plan Framework for the Partnership for Success through CSOC, which is a grant/partnership between the CIACCS (YSAC) and Regional Prevention Coalitions (Community Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Morris)

Gail Greenbaum spoke about Volunteers of America's Parenting Skills program which is available to any pre or post adoptive families as well as resource families and kinship homes

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS

Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)

Jim Saylor reported: There are currently 3 youth in the custody of the JJC. There is a senate bill out S48, which will give the JJC parole release authority, eliminating the state parole board.

Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)

Lenora Humphry reported:

Morris DCP&P had a total of 243 referrals.

Morris East 114; 65 CPS, 20 CWS;

Morris West 129; 98 CPS, 31 CWS

Department of Children and Families (DCF)

No report.

Youth Services Coordinator Report

Will be reporting in JDAI section

Unified Funding

Dave Johnston reported, the committee met on 2/20. He gave an overview of the committee as well as spoke about the Ruth Davis Drive plan through Project Purple a joint program through Homeless Solutions and Family Promise. The Provider Information session will be held on June 9.

Bridging the Gap Network

Steve Nebesni reported they met on 2/18 Gisele Reyes from FIS presented on trauma focused DBT

Nurtured Heart

Steve Nebesni reported there was a super user meeting on 2/18

There will be a train the trainer for DCP&P resource unit.

Each year there will be a train the trainer for a targeted audience.

Super star program will be a recertification program for already trained trainers.

Stigma Free

The breaking stigma event is scheduled for June 20

The next meeting will be March 17.

Juvenile Detention Center/Youth Shelter

Currently the shelter has three (3) residents: two (2) males, one (1) female: 1 Sussex and 2 Warren

The JDC currently has nine (9) residents; 9 Males. 6 Hudson, 2 Morris, 1 Sussex

JDAI

Detention alternatives met to finalize the details of the Smartlink app for the start date which is scheduled for 3/16

Innovations meeting was postponed. This meeting will discuss what we want to fund with the 2021 innovations

Next full council meeting will be April 21st at 1130.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning

Met: February 10, the committee discussed and updated the Provider/Youth survey.

Next Meeting: March 9, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical

Systems Review

Met January 27.

Next meeting: April 27, 2020 at 9:30am at CMO, 200 Valley Rd Mt Arlington

Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program

Next Meeting: March 12, 2020 11:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Education Partnership

Met: January 23 the next training will be Feb 26 the topic is human trafficking.

Next Meeting: February 27, 2020 2pm at Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Juvenile Review Committee (JRC)

Next Meeting: February 27, 2020 at 9:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Next Meeting: April 22 at 2pm at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

Substance Use Subcommittee

Met: February 7, an information session was held. The committee will review the barriers and struggles that were brought up at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: February 25, 2020 10am the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Barbara Kaufman announced that the “Breaking Stigma” event will be June 20 this year. Barbara also shared that they will be holding an SBIRT training for schools on March 11 and there are still some openings.

Rebecca Tritt from Daytop announced that she has taken over screenings and admissions and she also handed out flyers about Daytop’s petition.

Juli Harpell-Elam from JBWS announced a conference they will be holding on April 24. “Building Inclusive Domestic Violence Practices: Safety, Support and Solutions for LGBTQ+ Survivors”

Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro from FIS handed out flyers for their next Mending Arts program which will start on March 3 and will be for teens.

Theresa Alanzo from Headstart shared that there are still 2 more weeks to register for free preschool at Lafayette Learning Center. There are a lot of spots available.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 2:30 PM at 1 Medical Dr Morris Plains

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 3:21 pm, Jim Saylor 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.