

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)
This meeting was held on Zoom
October 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Margaret Pittaluga at 2:38pm. Members present:

Holly Dinney
Maria Augustowicz
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro
Lila Bernstein
Juli Harpel-Elam
Jackie Looby
Neville Newton
Margaret Pittaluga

Dave Johnston
Jim Saylor
Cindy Cuenca
Sandra Gogerty
Jessica Mondino
Rosalyn Suarez
Laura Siemonsma-Bertelli
Jeena Williams

Guests: Steve Nebesni, Preeti Patel, Beth Jacobson, Carly Sinnott, Jessica Raczyk, Denise Nausedas, Jen Schafer, Hannah Blank, Deirdre Lonza, William Torres, Beth Young, Jim Mahoney, Angelo Ragonesi, Kelly Macnamara

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member, Jackie Looby seconded by member Cindy Cuenca the committee approved the minutes of the September 2, 2020 regular meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Carly from PIK presented about the PFS update. We are currently in step 2 which is the needs assessment.

ACTION ITEMS

Voted to update the JDAI Innovations proposal to RFA to an outside agency for the probation incentive program. 10 yes 3 abstain.

STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS

Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)

Jim Saylor - Green Residential will be closing due to budget cuts very soon as of Nov 1 JJC takes over release authority from committed youth instead of state parole board.

Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)

Jeena Williams reported:

Morris East - CWS ; CPS ; Total 94.
Morris West - CWS ; CPS ; Total 103.

Department of Children and Families (DCF)

RFP for group homes serving youth with id/dd ages 12-17 nj.gov/DCF

Youth Services Coordinator Report

Received award letter for JDAI, SCP plan and app was submitted but has not been reviewed yet.

Unified Funding

Jes reported, no meeting scheduled

Bridging the Gap Network

Steve - no report

Nurtured Heart

Steve - no report

Emily from pik did a nurtured heart teachers training.

Stigma Free

Met on Sept 15. Discussed getting back into focusing on teen suicide prevention. still working on the 4 towns that have not committed yet. The next meeting will be November 17 at 2pm.

Juvenile Detention Center/Youth Shelter

The Shelter currently has 1 residents: 1 Male; Female; Morris, 1 Sussex, Warren; Hunterdon, .

The JDC currently has 3 residents: 3 Male; Female; Morris, Sussex, Warren; Hunterdon, 3 Hudson.

JDAI

Next meeting October 21 at 1130am

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning

Next Meeting: TBD 2021

Systems Review

Next meeting: October 26, 2020

Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program

Next Meeting: TBD

Education Partnership

Next Meeting: October 22, 2020 2:30pm

Juvenile Review Committee (JRC)

Next Meeting: October 22, 2020 9:30pm

Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Next Meeting: TBD

Substance Use Subcommittee

Next Meeting: TBD Next CCSHM Meeting will be Nov 10, 2020 10 am

NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

In september we discussed cuts that were being made - Updates:

School based put back in budget

FIS- transitioned families from their cut program - pre/post adoption program

FSO - Holly - currently ok their funding was not cut.

Deirdre's - were able to get 50% of their funding reinstated. Looking for bilingual and MDT coordinator.

Ingrid -FIS outpatient enrichment group for youth Medicaid - will send flyer

William Torres from Daytop merged with Acenda - continue outpatient program in Morris will be able to provide more services all over NJ. Mendham site closed over the summer

Juli - JBWS Domestic violence awareness month. a lot of activities going on through facebook page.

Preeti - CEC adolescent programs available to the community. Teen talk is a support group for teens. all classes virtual.

Margaret - CEC Halloween virtual 5K is on their website.

Holly - FSO online support groups

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 2:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 3:23pm, Margaret Pittaluga 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.