

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)
This meeting was held on Zoom
November 19, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Dave Johnston at 2:32pm. Members present:

Jim Saylor
Barb Kaufman
Jeena Williams
Dave Johnston
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro

Maria Augustowicz
Lenora Humphry
Juli Harpell-ELam
Holly Dinney

Guests: Carly Sinnot, Katy Bednarsky, Steve Nebesni, Maureen Lee, Francesca Viola, Kristin Williams, Theresa Alonzo, Denise Nausedas, Jennifer Shafer, Preeti Patel, Laura Vargas, Angelo Ragonesi

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member, Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro seconded by member Holly Dinney the committee approved the minutes of the October 15, 2020 regular meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Katy Bednarsky

Youth Mentoring Initiative. The goal of program is to connect youth who have been impacted by substance use with mentors through pik and cares.

Family involvement as well, KRAFT and strengthening families groups.

Age 9-20

40 youth per year

Will meet for full year

2 full time mentors as well as part time mentors.

OJJDP grant

kbednarsky@mcpik.org

services starting ASAP. In the outreach phase currently.

ACTION ITEMS

STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS

Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)

Jim - plan and app reviewed, corrections sent. JJC working hard to keep staff and resident safe - any covid updates JJC website updated daily

2 morris youth at Jamesburg

Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P)

Lenora Humphry reported:
Morris East - CWS 8; CPS 72; Total 80.
Morris West - CWS 21; CPS 84; Total 105.

asking for a volunteer to be on the interviewing board for spru workers

Department of Children and Families (DCF)

Jeena Williams reported 2 open RFPs
Child advocacy development grants for child advocacy centers due december 2
Group homes for youth with id/dd ages 12-17 due december 15

Youth Services Coordinator Report

Jessica Mondino reported that the Plan and Application Corrections were received yesterday
The JDAI award was sent to the freeholders to sign
GIA contract will be signed in the next few weeks. They will be mailed out and we will meet via zoom for any issues or questions.
SCP contracts are not ready to be signed yet.

Unified Funding

Dave gave a brief overview of the committee

Bridging the Gap Network

No Report

Nurtured Heart

Superuser meeting held yesterday, steve will update at the next meeting once he recieves notes

Stigma Free

Met on Tuesday, discussion around virtual school, covid and the holidays.
County Commisioner Defillipo is working with 3 of the towns that we still need to get on board.
Freeholders will now be called County Commissioners

Juvenile Detention Center/Youth Shelter

The Shelter currently has 5 residents: 5 Male; Female; 1 Morris, Sussex, Warren;
Hunterdon, 4 Hudson.

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

JDAI

Smartlink 2 males house arrest

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning

Next Meeting: TBD 2021

Systems Review

Next meeting: January 2021

Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program

Next Meeting: TBD

Education Partnership

Next Training will be December 9 10am

Recognizing the Signs of Suicide and Supporting Students

- o Identifying Students Who May Be at Risk for Suicide

- o Responding to a Student Who May Be at Risk for Suicide

- o Resources for students

Next Meeting: January 28, 2021 2:30pm

Juvenile Review Committee (JRC)

Next Meeting: December 10, 2020

Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee

Next Meeting: TBD

Substance Use Subcommittee

Next Meeting: CCSHM - 2021

NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Carly - prevention programs are being filmed so that schools can turnkey them to their classes. email carly

Juli - jbws sponsoring event lgbtq+ link in chat <https://www.jbws.org/ce-approved-conference-on-dv-and-lgbtq+>

Theresa - head start opened at central ave comlex 6 classrooms have openings for 3&4 year olds 5 full days Theresa Alonzo Theresaa@headstartmc.org 973-989-9052 ext 315

Barb -working with DEA and AG on "handle with care initiative" collaboration between LEO and Schools communication between LEO and Schools when incidents of DV ect happen.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2021 at 2:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 2:55pm, Barbara Kaufman 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.