

**MINUTES**  
**MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (YSAC)**  
**Morris County Human Services Building, 1 Medical Drive Morris Plains, New Jersey**  
**June 20, 2019**

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

Maria Augustowicz  
Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro  
Diana Cirillo  
Juli Harpell-Elam  
Jackie Looby  
Neville Newton  
Dave Johnston  
Jim Saylor

Beth Jacobson  
Jessica Mondino  
Dave Johnson  
Kim Johnson  
Chris Mueller  
Sharon Yoo  
Laura Siemonsma-Bertelli

Guests: Katie Huber, Steve Nebesni, Emily Monks, Christina Rivera, Preeti Patel, Laura Vargas, Denise Namsedas, Warren Ververs, Gladys Garcia

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of member, Maria Augustowicz seconded by member Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro the committee approved the minutes of the May 16, 2019 regular meeting.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Emily Munks from Morris County Prevention is Key spoke about her new position as Youth Prevention Specialist. She will be focusing on prevention for underage drinking, marijuana use and prescription pills. The age focus will be for 9-24. She will specifically be doing trainings for youth serving organizations on these topics.

**ACTION ITEMS**

There were no action items

**STATE AND COUNTY REPORTS**

**Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC)**

Jim Saylor reported: There are currently 4 youth in the custody of the JJC and there was one referral received for a fields program.

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

Christine Rivera:

Morris East Local Office received 35 Child welfare referrals and 103 Child Protection referrals  
Morris West Local Office received 37 Child welfare and 119 Child protection

Total for the county 72 Child welfare and 222 Child protection. 294 total.

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

No report

### **Youth Services Coordinator Report**

Jessica Mondino reported that monitorings are going on right now and will be done next week. Working on the plan and application and it will be ready to approve in July.

### **Unified Funding**

The next meeting will be July 17. Time TBD

### **Bridging the Gap Network**

Steve Nebesni reported the next meeting will be July 16th at OTA. There will be a presentation from Legal Services.

### **Nurtured Heart**

The global summit will be July 14-17. The facebook page is up and running again – Morris Greatness

### **Stigma Free**

The next meeting will be July 16<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

Beth Jacobson talked about the “ Breaking the Stigma” event on June 22 on the Morristown green from 12-3pm.

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

Currently the shelter has four (4) residents: one (1) males and three (3) females.

The JDC currently has eleven (11) Males, (1) Female; 9 Hudson, 1 Hunterdon, 1 Sussex and 1 Morris.

### **JDAI**

Jessica Mondino reported that we met to fix the corrections on the risk screening tool plan. We will be submitting a proposal for innovations funding.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Planning**

Met June 10, 2019

The committee discussed and updated the recommendations from the 2018-2020 Youth Services plan.

Next Meeting: July 8 at 10:00 a.m. at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical

### **Systems Review**

Next meeting July 22, 2019 at 9:30am at CMO, 200 Valley Rd Mt Arlington

### **Juvenile Firesetter Prevention Program**

Met June 13

Discussed and planned an upcoming training for police, fire, probation mental health and schools on the program.

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

### **Education Partnership**

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

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

Next Meeting: June 27, 2019 at 9:30am at the Morris County Department of Human Services, 1 Medical Dr.

### **Developmental Disabilities Subcommittee**

Next Meeting: TBD 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.*

Beth Jacobson reminded everyone about the “Breaking Stigma” event happening on Saturday June 22 at the Morristown Green

Dave Johnston from Deirdre’s house reported that they will be moving forward with “The Game of Life” starting with 3 interested schools, Kinnelon in the fall, Morristown in the spring and Parsippany TBD. Provider registration forms will be sent out soon. They will be capping it at 20-25 providers.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 2:30 PM at 1 Medical Dr Morris Plains

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 2:57 pm, Maria Augustowicz 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.*