

Chatham JCPC Minutes 9/7/12

Attending

Area Consultant: Scott Stoker

Members: Jennifer Thomas, Lisa West, Scott Stoker, Peggy Hamlett, Marie Lamoureux, Courtney Goldston, Justin Bartholomew, Marci Trageser, James Kurz, Herbie Stubbs (for Mike Szpunar), Lisa Lackmann, Kim Tyson, Rita Marley-McKenzie, George Greger-Holt, Tom Velivil,

Absent: Sally Kost, Judge Scarlett

Programs: Steve Bailey, Julie Bailey (Mental Health America); Tom Velivil, Lisa Lackmann (OPC/PBH); Rebecca Worley (School Liaison); Sarelli Rossi Gulney (El Futuro); Gwen Overturf (Chatham County Together Teen Court and Community Service & Restitution); Kim Caraganis (Chatham County Together Family Advocacy)

Guest Speaker: Mike Noble, RPM Recruiter from the Tarheel Challenge Academy spoke to us about the program. Sponsored by the North Carolina National Guard, the Challenge is a 22-week military oriented resident program for 16-18 year old high school dropouts/expelles. Several young people from Chatham have been through the program and several council members are familiar with the program and spoke highly of it. We received documentation including a brief video cd. Mike would be happy to come and speak one-on-one with any programs and also to arrange for graduates to speak with programs or youth. For additional information see the website at this link: <https://www.ngycp.org/site/state/nc/>

Council Business:

- Approval of minutes: Minutes from the July meeting were approved and will be posted on the website.
- New members: We welcomed Justin Bartholomew, Principal of Margaret B. Pollard Middle School, and James Kurz, MD, who is a physician and associate professor at UNC.
- Election of chair: Our chair resigned and Lisa West was elected chair of the Chatham JCPC.
- Consultant update:
 - Scott reminded everyone who has not signed a conflict of interest form to do so asap and return to Lisa.
 - Final Accounting: All paperwork was received and approved although Scott is still working with one of the prior agencies to complete one piece of the accounting. Cindy will notify agencies of payment status (e.g. whether any refund to the state is due) within the next two weeks. Agencies will have 60 days to refund any payment due, and failure to repay will result in a hold on payments for the current fiscal year.
 - Program statistics: Scott summarized the Chatham programs. As of September 7, 30 juveniles have been admitted in the current fiscal year across programs, and 210 is the expected number to be served per the program agreements.
 - Scott mentioned that every month the state sends all agencies a list of grant recipients that are delinquent in any aspect of a grant. So if a Chatham JCPC agency is receiving funding from another state agency and is late with paperwork or documentation for that program, JCPC funding could be held until the issues with the other agency are resolved. So far no Chatham agencies are on the delinquent list.

Program Updates:

- Mental Health America: Steve will be leaving MHA, this will be his last JCPC meeting. Julie will replace him.
- OPC: No news beyond the stats that Scott reported (8 admitted Fiscal 2013).

- School Liaison: Rebecca has 3 new referrals and 2 are from elementary school. Usually she works with middle or high school students, so this is something she wanted to note and will watch as the school year progresses.
- El Futuro: No news beyond the stats Scott reported (2 admitted in FY13). Alison asked what will happen to juveniles that are referred for treatment but then finish their time with the court counselor. Sarelli answered that El Futuro will try to continue to work with the child, either thru the LME or Medicaid.
- Community Service: Gwen has been getting a lot accomplished with the garden in Pittsboro and at the Incubator. The kids also worked at the Silk Hope Old Fashioned Farmer's Day and Night Out, and they continue to clean the courthouse. She is also contacting custodial staff at the schools, following up on a suggestion from George.
- Teen Court: Gwen has had four trainings and two sessions, one of them a mock session. She complimented the Chatham Sheriff's Department; the participation by the deputies as bailiffs has been outstanding.
- Family Advocacy: Kids in the program participated in Night Out. Kim mentioned that Chatham County Together will be having training for mentors from 5:30 till 8:30 on 9/20 at the DSS classroom. If any of us know people who are interested in becoming mentors, please let them know.

New Business:

- Lisa asked everyone to think about participating in either the JCPC monitoring or the Risk and Needs Assessment sub committees that will be coming up in the next few months.
- Chatham will be contracting with a new administrator, Becky Norman in FY 2013. Becky is out of the country right now, but later this month she will be contacting members/programs to introduce herself, and she will coordinate the monitoring and risk/needs subcommittees.
- Peggy and Scott will be attending training for the state's graduated sanctions initiative in September and will bring that back to us later his year.
- Peggy and Lisa Lackmann will be conducting a Think Trauma training

Next meeting: November 2, DSS Classroom

Meeting adjourned: 1:20