

Chatham County JCPC Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2016 Noon – 2:00 Dunlap Classroom

Members Attending: George Greger-Holt; Peggy Hamlett; Alison Uhlenberg; Judge Scarlett; Paul Atherton; Jennie Kristiansen; Justin Bartholomew; Stephanie Jones; Renita Foxx; Layton Long; Karen Howard;

Members Absent: Marci Trageser; Megan Gilliland; Rita Marley McKenzie; Mike Szpunar; ; Sherri Murrell; Courtney Goldston; Steve Tamayo; Pam Weiden

Visitors: Amanda Farris; Terrance ?

Programs: Communities in Schools (CIS); Wrenn House

Programs absent: El Futuro

Presentation/Orange County Misdemeanor Diversion Program.

Cait Fenhagen, Orange County Criminal Justice Resource Manager and Kate Giduz, Orange County Teen Court Coordinator with Volunteers for Youth presented on the newly established Orange County Misdemeanor Diversion Program for 16 & 17 year old first-time offenders. The program works with local law enforcement to divert youth to the program instead of filing charges. It is a 90-day program that includes referral to services and a mandatory court session. The program has been in place for 6 months. There has been some interest in Chatham County to start a similar program.

Acceptance of minutes – Minutes from the September meeting were approved and Lisa will post on the web site.

Area consultant:

- Denise was unable to attend the meeting. There was discussion as to the recent memo from Cindy Porterfield regarding 2016-17 Schedule for Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol (SPEP) Activity. The timeline recommends a that JCPCs review PEP progress of their programs through September 30th during the period of October-November either by written or verbal means. Council agreed that a written report would suffice. Marie will check with Denise as to the format for the report and notify the programs.

Program Updates:

- **El Futuro:** El Futuro was unable to send a representative to the meeting. Their report still shows 5 current clients and 1 discharge.
- **Communities in Schools (CIS):** Family Advocacy has served 17 ytd and currently has 11 active. They are working on a Strengthening Families session with DSS after the first of the year. Teen Court has served 7 ytd and currently has 2 active. They have been meetings with school personnel to expand referrals from the SROs. The Community Service Program has served 34 ytd with 20 being carried over from the last fiscal year. There are currently 6 active.
- **Wrenn House:** There was been one referral in October and the youth is still residing at Wrenn House.

Bylaw Revisions

- Amended Bylaws were approved.

New Business

- Alison provided DJJ statistics for the past two months. There were 13 juveniles presented for intake that involved a total of 34 complaints. Two juvenile were approved for court. There were no juveniles in detention and one referral to Wrenn House for this period. There were 3 youth charged with multiple felonies.
- The Risk and Needs Committee Meeting scheduled for October 13th was postponed. There has some delay from the state office of the data reports. The meeting is now scheduled for Monday, November 28th from 2:00-4:00 at Northwood High School.
- The Concerns Committee report was presented to the Council. Several suggestions were added to the report. Marie will revise and send to Council for final review. They will be forwarded to Denise to help prepare Cindy Porterfield for her visit at the January meeting.
- The following members agreed to serve on the Monitoring Committee: George, Alison, Paul, Stephanie and Peggy. Amanda Farris also agreed to participate on the Committee. Marie will email the committee regarding possible dates.

Other Business

- Paul introduced visitor, Terence Johnson, a student at UNC's School of Public Health
- Peggy reported there will be a Court Counselor vacancy in Chatham
- Kat Haney with the ABC Commission is interested in presenting to the JCPCs. George will reach out to her about possibly being on the January agenda.

January meeting

- The January meeting is scheduled for January 6, 2017 at the same time and place.