

Chatham County JCPC Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2018 Noon – 2:00
Old Agricultural Auditorium

Members Attending: Justin Bartholomew; Woodrena Baker; Renita Foxx; Peggy Hamlett; George Greger-Holt; Sherri Murrell; Tracy Teague; Alison Uhlenberg;

Members Absent: Courtney Goldston; Raquelle Hawkins; Karen Howard; Stephanie Jones; Jennie Kristiansen; Layton Long; Jessica Mashburn; Rita Marley McKenzie; Robert Miller; Steve Tamayo; Marci Trageser; Sophie Washburn; Pam Weiden (proxy given to Renita Foxx)

Programs: Communities in Schools (CIS); Haven House

Programs absent: El Futuro;

Acceptance of minutes – There was not a quorum present. The approval of the minutes from the March 3, 2018 meeting will be added to the July meeting agenda.

Membership update/welcome of new JCPC members

The following new members were welcomed to the Chatham JCPC:

-Woodrena Baker (Juvenile Defense Attorney)

-Tracy Teague (Representative/Parks & Rec)

Review of 3rd Quarter Accounting – discussion of unused funds

Denise has been in communication with Haven House Psychological Services regarding the unused funds for psychological assessments at this point in the fiscal year. They have used about half the allocation with 5 assessments completed. There were concerns expressed that historically referrals come in this time of the year and there are still two months left in the fiscal year. The psychologist on contract, David Rademacher, however, has reported he cannot see any new referrals until July. Denise reported that DPS would be willing for unused funds to be redistributed within Chatham County to currently funded JCPC programs. Communities in Schools expressed an interest in using these funds for staff training. Denise will send a formal email to all currently funded programs regarding the availability of additional funds for FY 2017/18. It will include the parameters for use of the funds. Due to the timeliness of the situation and upon review of the By-laws, it was determined an email vote would be a valid process for the Council's approval of the redistribution of the funds. Denise will send Marie the information for the email vote.

Review annual plan

Denise and Marie led the review and discussion of the draft of the FY 2018/19 Chatham JCPC Annual Plan. The Plan will be submitted to the Chatham County Commissioners for approval at their June budget meeting. There was discussion of vacant membership slots: Two persons <18 and Member of the Business Community. There is one < 18 member but she has not recently attended meetings. Justin Bartholomew reported he has had communication with the student and she still is interested in being on the JCPC. Kyle Smith with Insight Human Services will be added to the membership for the upcoming year.

Juvenile Justice statistics

Alison provided juvenile justice statistics for March and April. There were 21 juveniles presented for intake that involved 50 complaints. Four juveniles were approved for court. No juveniles were placed in detention.

Discuss 2018/19 meeting dates/confirm July meeting.

The Council approve the following Chatham County JCPC meeting dates for 2018/19:

July 20, 2018

September 28, 2018

November 2, 2018

January 4, 2019

March 8, 2019

May 3, 2019

Marie will investigate available meeting locations.

New Business/Program Updates

Program Updates:

CIS

Community Service and Restitution recently added the PTA Thrift Shop and the Senior Center as new worksites. There are currently 8 worksites. There are 14 new volunteers trained for Teen Court. They have met with Rob Miller, SRO Supervisor, regarding the referral process. Staff will be participating in Why Try training.

Haven House

There have been no referrals to Wrenn House since January. The kitchen at Wrenn House is being renovated. They are gearing up for summer activities and have new interns. They are also currently working on their federal grant.

New Business

Northwood High Principal, Justin Bartholomew, spoke on the increase of mental health issues being reported at the school. There is much concern regarding the use of social media among the students.

Kyle Smith spoke on computer gaming addictions among youth.

A handout regarding the upcoming Raise the Age initiative was distributed. There may be funds released for community programming in mid FY 2018/19.