

## Chatham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Meeting Minutes

**November 6, 2020**

Noon – 2:00

Virtual (Webex) Meeting

**Members in attendance:** Woodrena Baker-Harrell; Renita Foxx; Stephanie Jones; Jennie Kristiansen; Sherri Murrell; Troy Stone; Alison Uhlenberg; Kaitlyn Warren, Pam Weiden; Peggy Hamlett; George Greger-Holt

**Members absent:** Tracy Fowler; Mallory Peterson; Sara Martin; Julie Boone-Cummins; Barry Gray; Robert Miller; Karen Howard

**Others present:** Denise Briggs; Malachi Levy; Charles Dingle; Michael Zelek; Nicole Grant; Alex Mayfield

**Programs present:** Communities in Schools (CIS); Haven House; El Futuro

**Programs absent:** None

**Acceptance of minutes:** **MOTION** to accept September 2020 minutes by Pam; second by Woodrena; no abstentions; none opposed

### New Business

#### Membership

- Alex Mayfield and Malachi Levy are present today and have offered to fill 2 of our vacant member slots

#### Committee work

- The Monitoring Committee will be visiting/auditing the programs in January

#### New Bylaws

- **MOTION** to accept the new bylaws by Peggy; second by George; no abstentions; none opposed

#### 2-year funding cycle

- Denise spoke at length about how this would work
- Mike and Peggy gave arguments for why it might be best to stay on a 1-year cycle, for now
- **MOTION** to remain on a 1-year cycle by Peggy; second by George; no abstentions; none opposed

#### Request for Proposals

- The new RFP was created after a meeting of the Risk and Needs Committee on October 22<sup>nd</sup>
- **MOTION** to accept the new RFP by Troy; second by Peggy; no abstentions; none opposed

### Program/DJJ Updates

#### Family Advocacy – Fatima Beck

- Currently 8 youth in program; 6 of them fall under “Raise the Age”
- Offering parenting classes, one-on-one support, and youth planning conferences
- Mentoring sessions take place Wednesday and Thursday in 3-hour sessions; 4 youth taking advantage of this service with 2 more ready to start

#### Community Service and Restitution – Ramiro Martinez

- Have served 19 youth; 6 are currently in the program; 1 falls under “Raise the Age”
- Community service continues to consist of home projects and reflection papers

#### Teen Court – Pablo Avendano

- Have served 7 youth, so far, of 38 projected
- Still conducting restorative circles online, once a month

- Training volunteers to serve as community representatives
- Educational seminars are being conducted via Zoom

#### Haven House – Patricia Cardoso

- Have had an increase in referrals in general, but not Chatham
- Only had 1 referral at this time last year
- Admin offices are relocating from downtown Raleigh ~ February

#### El Futuro – Kerry Brock

- Have served 5 youth, so far; 3 are new and 2 are carry-overs from 19/20
- Still using telehealth, but moving toward in-person sessions in Durham
- Seeing a lot of need for financial/food/eviction assistance, other basic needs
- July and August saw requests for services double

### **Department of Public Safety Update**

#### Juvenile Justice Statistics

- 18 complaints and 11 youth intakes for Sept and Oct
- Raise the Age numbers have exceeded projections; this is largely due to out-of-county youth alcohol violations at Jordan Lake

#### Final Accounting

- All final accounting information has been submitted
- Psychological Assessments gave a refund

#### Policy Changes

- Programs will receive training from Denise on SPEP scoring

### **Announcements**

- Training on Race and Trauma, phase 1, will occur on November 12<sup>th</sup>, Stephanie will send out flyer
- Chatham County has been awarded a grant to start a Family Treatment Court (court-supervised substance use treatment program)
- Judge Murrell mentioned that the Chatham County Schools will roll out mobile internet connection buses
- George has plenty of medication disposal packets to distribute as needed
- Renita emphasized the importance of working together, as a network, to address client needs
- Mike Zelek noted that COVID cases are at record highs and precautions are as important as ever
- CIS has capacity for more referrals
- Next virtual (Zoom) meeting will be on **Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:00**