

## Chatham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Meeting Minutes

**November 5, 2021**

Noon – 2:00

Virtual (Zoom) Meeting

### ***Members Present/Absent***

Tracy Fowler	absent	Caroline Murrell	absent
Robert Miller	<b>present</b>	Rachel Smith	absent
Delanie Womack	absent	Sherri Murrell	<b>present</b>
Troy Stone	absent	Julie Boone Cummins	absent
Amanda Farris	<b>present</b>	Mike Zelek	<b>present</b>
Stephanie Jones	absent	Alex Mayfield	absent
Jennie Kristiansen	absent	Mallory Peterson	<b>present</b>
Kaitlyn Warren	<b>present</b>	Alison Uhlenberg	<b>present</b>
Renita Foxx	<b>present</b>	George Greger-Holt	<b>present</b>
Patrick Jones	absent	Pam Weiden	<b>present</b>
Franklin Gomez Flores	<b>present</b>	Sara Martin	absent
Malachi Levy	absent	<b>11 of 23 members present</b>	

### ***Others Present***

Denise Briggs	Dept. of Public Safety	Lateef Mitchell	Student Support Liaison
Toshina Wiggins	Dept. of Public Safety	Kerry Brock	El Futuro
Julia Husk	UNC / DPS Intern	Sabrina Aguilar Simon	El Futuro
Travis Patterson	Communities In Schools	Patricia Cardoso	Haven House
Jazmin Mendoza Sosa	Communities In Schools	David Delaney	Chatham NAACP
Maria Soto	Communities In Schools	Crystal Mclver	Experience 180
Veronica Nuñez	Communities In Schools	Ashley Palmer	Experience 180
Tych Cowdin	Communities In Schools	Rob Schooley	Chatham Co. Schools

***No motion to accept September minutes due to lack of a quorum***

Ashley Palmer and Crystal Mclver gave a presentation on Experience 180 programs; more information to be shared

## **New Business**

### **Membership**

- Reverend Patrick Jones of the Buckhorn and Ebenezer United Methodist Churches was appointed to the “Member of Faith Community” position by the County Commissioners on October 18<sup>th</sup>

### **Continuum Chart**

- Members gave input on updates for the chart

### **New member orientation**

- For those who missed Denise’s presentation, a slide presentation and video will be made available

### **Committees**

- Risk & Needs will meet on Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10am-11am
- The Monitoring Committee will likely convene for a workday in January

## **Program Updates**

#### El Futuro – Kerry Brock & Sabrina Aguilar Simon

- 1 served in 21/22
- Still offering services virtually and by phone
- Looking into physical improvements to the Siler City office; projected mid-spring reopening
- Denise made suggestions on how to better serve Chatham County

#### Haven House – Patricia Cardoso

- No psych assessment referrals from Chatham so far in 21/22; No Wrenn House referrals either
- Had to temporarily stop taking referrals due to a positive COVID case; have implemented safeguards
- Some physical improvements to Wrenn House are in the works

#### Family Advocacy – Maria Soto & Veronica Nuñez

- Currently serving 12 clients
- Parenting classes and tutoring in full swing
- Offering support for those who are grieving over two recent deaths in the community

#### Teen Court – Jazmin Mendoza Sosa

- Currently serving 5 clients
- Restorative justice circles continue and have proven effective to the point that they may supplant the traditional teen court model

#### Community Service and Restitution – Travis Patterson

- Currently serving 6 clients; 17 served in 21/22
- 6 active worksites throughout the county
- Has returned to in-person community service

## **DPS / DJJ Update**

#### Juvenile Justice Statistics

- Alison shared the latest statistics from DJJ
- Amanda gave an overview of Senate Bill 207, which takes effect on December 1st

#### Department of Public Safety – Toshina Wiggins

- This will be Denise Briggs' last regular meeting with us
- Legislative update; new Eckerd site; teen court to possibly be utilized for motor vehicle violations
- SPEP scores have been shared with programs; PEPs to be shared during the January meeting
- More information on a possible **Racial Equity Disparities** subcommittee to come in January

## **Announcements**

- George announced a community resource hub event at the Habitat offices tomorrow
- Sherri noted that our youth members may not be able to remain on the council because of their busy academic schedules; we may want to look at recruiting a guardian ad litem or someone from community college
- Next meeting will be on **Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00**