Chatham County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2022

Noon – 2:00 Virtual (Zoom) Meeting

Members Present/Absent

| Tracy Fowler | present | Shirley Villatoro | present |
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| Robert Miller | absent | Rachel Smith | absent |
| Mike Wagner | present | Sherri Murrell | present |
| Troy Stone | present | Julie Boone Cummins | absent |
| Amanda Farris | present | Mike Zelek | present |
| Sarah Schaller | present | Alex Mayfield | present |
| Jennie Kristiansen | present | Mallory Peterson present | |
| Kaitlyn Warren | present | Alison Uhlenberg present | |
| Renita Foxx | present | George Greger-Holt | present |
| Patrick Jones | present | Pam Weiden | present |
| Franklin Gomez Flores | absent | Sara Martin | present |
| Person < 21 | vacant | Kaitlyn Warren | present |

19 of 23 Council Members Present

Others Present

| Tych Cowdin | Communities In Schools | Toshina Wiggins | Dept. of Public Safety |
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| Travis Patterson | Communities In Schools | Sabrina Aguilar Simon | El Futuro |
| Jazmin Mendoza Sosa | Communities In Schools | Kelsey Mosley | Haven House |
| Maria Soto | Communities In Schools | Will Curvin | Chatham Finance Dept. |
| Veronica Nuñez | Communities In Schools | Lateef Mitchell | Student Support Liaison |
| Kayla Merkel | AMI Kids | | |

MOTION to accept September 2021 minutes by Amanda; second by George; no abstentions; none opposed; PASSED

New Business

Membership

- Mike Wagner, Shirley Villatoro, and Sarah Schaller have been appointed as members of the Council.
- We are still looking for a person to fill the "Person under the age of 21" slot. Alison suggested a possible nominee, Olivia, and she will be considered with her availability to attend meetings in mind.

Monitoring Committee

• The Monitoring Committee has recommended continued funding for all programs; the only conditional recommendation was for El Futuro on the condition that they open the Siler City office for face-to-face meetings by April 1st.

Funding Committee

• CIS applied for Community Service and Restitution (\$63,181) and Family Advocacy (\$83,218) at the same rate as last year. The Funding Committee recommends funding at these levels

MOTION to approve funding at \$63,181 for CSR by **Sherri**; second by **Mike W.**; Sarah M. abstains; none opposed; **PASSED MOTION** to approve funding at \$83,218 for FA by **Mike W.**; second by **Kaitlyn**; Sarah M. abstains; none opposed; **PASSED**

• Wrenn House (under Haven House) applied for \$2500 more than last year (\$10,998). The Funding Committee recommends funding at this level

MOTION to approve funding at \$10,998 for WH by George; second by Mike W.; No abstentions; none opposed; PASSED

Psychological Services(Haven House) applied for \$7492, which is the same as last year

MOTION to approve funding at \$7,492 for WH by **Sherri**; second by **Mike W.**; No abstentions; none opposed; **PASSED**

- Administrative Services has been recommended for funding at the usual rate of \$15,500
- George asked if this could be increased, but Amanda noted that it is already at the maximum allowable limit

MOTION to approve funding at \$15,500 for AS by Sherri; second by Kaitlyn; No abstentions; none opposed; PASSED

Surplus meal money funds

- We have close to \$800 in unspent funds from the Administrative Services budget; a budget revision is pending
- Sherri suggested funding a training session on adolescent brain development
- Paul will research this and reach out to Dr. Pender-Roach

Program Updates

El Futuro – Sabrina Aguilar Simon

- Target date for reopening Chatham office is April 1st
- Did not apply for future funding from JCPC but will continue to work in Chatham (mostly billing to Medicaid)
- Served 127 people in Chatham (~40% youth) this fiscal year, so far
- Have served 5 youth that fall under JCPC funding
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

Family Advocacy – Maria Soto & Veronica Nuñez

- 23 served; 6 active, 3 new referrals pending
- Have cut back on home visits due to COVID spike; continue to have meetings at the office/schools and at least weekly contact with families, including food assistance
- Are helping with Spanish interpretation for Comprehensive Clinic Assessments for Pinnacle
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

<u>Community Service and Restitution – Travis Patterson</u>

- 31 served; 11 active; 20 terminated; 10 entries since last meeting
- 10 active worksites; just added the Farm at Penny Lane
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

Teen Court - Jazmin Mendoza Sosa

- 15 served; 8 active; 7 terminated; 5 intakes this month
- 1 case from DJJ, the rest from SROs
- Did not apply for future funding from JCPC and is working on closing out cases by June 30th
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

Wrenn House – Kelsey Mosley

- No cases from Chatham this fiscal year
- Masks are no longer mandatory in the house
- Flooring has been renovated; roof is next
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

<u>Psychological Assessments – Kelsey Mosley</u>

- No new cases from Chatham this fiscal year (the one case showing was a holdover from previous fiscal year)
- Alison reports that 2 or 3 referrals have been made recently
- Reviewed 6-month measurable objectives (July-December)

DPS / DJJ Update

Juvenile Justice Statistics

Alison and Amanda shared the latest statistics from DJJ

Area Consultant

Toshina gave guidance on reissuing the RFP to invite vendors for Teen Court and Counseling Services

MOTION to post a new RFP by Amanda; second by Renita; No abstentions; none opposed; PASSED

- Reminder that 3rd-quarter accounting is due by March 25th;
- Notification and instructions for applying for discretionary funds will be out soon
- Toshina's last day with DPS will be March 18th; Crystal Bennett will be our interim consultant

Other Business / Announcements

Community Events

- Chatham Drug Free is hosting an event sponsored by Vaya Health on April 30th in Siler City; Renita or George for more information
- Parks and Recreation is hosting their annual Easter event on April 9th at the Community College; Mallory for more information
- Siler City PD will be starting a citizens' police academy soon; Day of the Book on April 30th at Bray Park; Police Memorial Day on May 11th at the Agricultural Center; April is child abuse awareness month; Mike W. for more information
- Coalition of church leaders with Siler City PD will be discussed between Mike W. and Patrick
- Revised version of Truancy Court will restart in March with a focus on pre-charge intervention
- Sherri, Tracy, Sarah S, and Mike W. will talk further about coordinating schools and criminal justice entities

Nominations for Officers, 22/23

- Send any nominations for chair and vice chair to Paul; contact Pam or Kaitlyn if you want to know more about the functions of these positions
- Next meeting will be on Friday, May 6th at 12:00 perhaps in-person at the Justice Center training room