

Salem County YSC
May 6, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 12:43 pm by Jean Kuhl. Introductions were made around the zoom room.

Attendees: Jean Kuhl; Jim Whitt; Ron Hudak; Jerry Oglesby; Armando Gonzalez; Sarah Kuhl; Jennifer Rodriguez; Christine Graves; Herbert Woodard; Allison Ford; Amber Smith; Meghan Rush; Jenna Harvey; Jody Veler; Christina DiGiovacchino; Stewart Potter; Angela Williams; Tracy Wiggins; Mike Regenalli; Lois Kawajiri; Justin Caruso; Dawn Reed; Gina Blevins; Jodie Loufik; Tiffany Duca

Approval of last month's meeting minutes: There were no minutes to be approved.

Committee Reports:

Planning and allocations – Ron Hudak: Explained there was talk at the last meeting of a Civic Enlightenment Program, court related program and a drug and alcohol program. The committee will be reviewing and planning this year's update for the 3-year comprehensive plan. The committee determined to decrease \$34,000 of the First Step Clinic funding and to use that funding towards another program or to create an additional program. Final vote will be made after the IAC gets the official voter list. Monitoring has been suspended at this time due to Covid-19.

Quality Assurance – Armando Gonzalez: Due to Covid-19 appointments for YSC monitoring were cancelled and at this time waiting for new procedures to resume monitoring. Armando asked if anyone had any recommendations on how to presume. Spencer, Jody and Gina planned to discuss in a meeting how to presume monitoring.

JET – Greg Wolf was not present. However, Jody met with Greg and Judge Ostrowski they have decided that the Corrections' Department is taking over the Ankle Bracelet Program. All violations will go through Greg after that, the Prosecutors' Office has the freedom to determine next steps after violation.

Administrators Report – No report.

JJC Liaison Report – Spencer Young: Virtual YSC monitoring will be considered such as teleconferencing however, that will not be considered a site visit.

Providers Reports:

Acenda Health: Justin Caruso – There are 3 youth currently in the Cognitive Life Skills program working through zoom, there were 10 youth interested in the program. The Connect 2 program currently has 6 youth in the program. Currently there aren't any youth in the Grounded! Program, Acenda has reached out to the judge to remind them the program is still an option for youth.

YAP –Pay It Forward: Jennifer Rodriguez – 3 youth are currently being served through zoom. Youth made cards for local nursing homes and veterans amidst Covid-19 as a community service project. The program is still open to receiving new referrals.

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Quinton Township: Stewart Potter – Currently closed out for the year and planning next year’s event. Currently waiting on news to see how to precede to make plans for next year.

Pittsgrove Middle School: Allison Ford – Currently holding Homework Club on Wednesdays virtually, the Photography Club is taking photos and doing projects at home. Doing the best they can to be creative and still do all the programs from home.

Penns Grove HS: Herbert Woodard – Everything has been converted to zoom and google hangout. Youth are separated into groups in chat rooms. Attendance is varied and staff is currently trying to outreach to more students. An Instagram has been created to get students more active in the program and will be used as a communication tool with the students to start planning, when more information for next year is received.

First Step: No report.

A.P. Schalick High School: Currently waiting to plan services, services are on hold for now. It is currently being discussed with school administrators what the summer program will look like with social distancing and other rules that may be put in place. Prioritizing students with disabilities.

JDAI:

BRIDGE Program: Armando Gonzales – The program is currently suspended due to Covid-19.

SODAT PET: Amber Smith – Currently working virtually and checking in on students to see how they are doing. The program is offering transportation to students who may need it but are required to wear a mask. Incentives have been put in place for any students or parents that reach out. There have been 4 level 1 gift cards given out and 2 level 2 gift cards given out.

Probation is currently holding two curbside visits a week and youth seem to have been enjoying the contact.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

Announcements – Southwest Council is working on training police on brief screenings and interviews. They are currently looking into working with the Salem County Police Chaplains and are already working with the Vineland Police. They are happy to do trainings with anyone at this time.

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Adjournment –

Armando Gonzales made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:44PM

Mike Regenalli seconded this motion.

Our next meeting will be June 3, 2020 at 12:30PM via zoom.