



**Passaic County Youth Services Commission
June 16, 2021 Minutes**

Voting members present:

1. Susan Butterfield
2. Cynthia Heller
3. Hon. Rudolph Filko
4. Melanie Nowling, Esq.
5. Francine Vince
6. Myrna Villanueva for Dawn Moody
7. Kerry Klug
8. La'Quan Hargrove
9. D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli
10. D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal
11. Brenda Browne
12. Carolyn McCombs
13. Donna Glinkin
14. Marqweesha Guthrie
15. James Coley on behalf of Christina Barnes-Lee
16. Shanell Toomer
17. Jason Harding
18. Stephen Radke
19. Raymond Branca
20. Duwan Bogert
21. Dawn Moody
22. LaQuan Hargrove

Voting members absent:

1. Kesha Drakeford
2. Jayna Patel

3. James Sawyer
4. Commissioner Cassandra “Sandi” Lazzara

5. Humberto Cuadrado
6. Cristina Barnes-Lee
7. Larry Alvarez
8. Zhyiana Allen

Others present:

1. Amanda Compton-Dover
2. Kristin Hoffman
3. Deborah Holms
4. Miguel Williams
5. Le’Var Starr
6. Jenny Vuksic
7. Marilyn DeValle
8. Tashai McFarlane
9. Tenaya Bascomb
10. Sandra Castro
11. Gabriel Montero
12. Bonnie Roy
13. Cynthia Alameda
14. Kelly Hart
15. Lt. James Lane
16. Wendy Hartmann
17. Gino Arevalo
18. Rachel Kinne
19. Ryan Mcnamee
20. Robin Lavorato
21. Kimmeshia Rogers-Jones
22. Jamie Jackett
23. Laurel Olsen

The meeting was called to order by Heller, at 12:42 PM.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Present
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Present
Dawn Moody (Myrna Villanueva, Designee)	Present
Commissioner Cassandra “Sandi” Lazzara	Present
Jason Harding	Present
Larry Alvarez	Absent
Stephen Radke	Present
Brenda Browne	Present
Kesha Drakeford	Absent
Raymond Branca	Present
Francine Vince	Present

Shanell Toomer	Present
Donna Glinkin	Present
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Present
Duwan Bogert	Absent
Cynthia Heller	Present
La'Quan Hargrove	Present
Humberto Cuadrado	Absent
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Present
Carolyn McCombs	Present
James Sawyer	Absent
Jayna Patel	Absent
Marqweesha Guthrie	Present
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Absent
Kerry Klug	Present
Susan Butterfield	Present
Zhyiana Allen	Absent

The Open Public Meeting announcement was made and was publicized on the Passaic County Website.

Approval of minutes

A motion was made by Guthrie and seconded by Klug to approve the minutes from May 19, 2021.

Motion carried.

Reports:

Monitoring Committee, McFarlane reported that 8 programs have been monitored. McFarlane reported the monitoring committee met on May 21, 2021 to review the new monitoring tool and procedures. The next monitoring committee meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2021. McFarlane also requested volunteers for a monitor that was scheduled for tomorrow at 12:30 pm.

Allocations Committee, Starr reported that the committee did not meet and will reconvene in July.

Planning Committee, McCombs reported that the planning committee will be meeting monthly. The meetings will be held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 11:00 AM.

Education, Training, and Advocacy Committee, Starr reported that the committee was not able to meet and will report at the next YSC meeting.

Youth Services Commission Administrators, Starr reported on the importance of monitoring. It has become difficult to create monitoring teams with the new requirements by JJC. Starr encouraged non-funded YSC members to participate in at least one monitor.

JJC (Juvenile Justice Commission) Compton-Dover reported Compton-Dover stated that there were changes with the monitoring sub-committee and the monitoring teams. "If you are a non-funded member, we really need you to sign up for monitoring". The new monitoring tool will be on an average of a score, so the more people who attend the more visions the more accurate of a score we can get. Compton-Dover expressed the importance of when the email to sign up for monitoring goes out keep in mind that it is necessary and is required and they must get done for the Plan Update.

Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative,

Executive Committee, Butterfield reiterated that the committee met last week and discussed today's agenda and discussed having more members join the sub-committees. If folks do not sign up, they will be chosen to join.

New Business

Larry Alvarez spoke about the importance of cultural competence when working with youth and families, Larry expressed concern for Spanish speaking youth who have may have limited access to services due to a lack of multilingual staffing.

A motion was made by Guthrie and seconded by Heller to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM

The next Youth Services Commission Meeting will be held on July 21, 2021.

Attest:

Marilyn DelValle