



**Passaic County Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse
February 2nd 2022 Meeting Minutes**

I. Roll Call

- a. Members Present: Linda Doering, Evan Covello, Paula Tedesco, Ronna Bouton,
- b. Others in attendance: Natalie Palmer, Robert Nolan, Andrea Ramalho, Tennielle Jordan, Debra Breheny, Justin Winfrey Bart Chou, Nataly Balah, Shannon Ferray
- c. Meeting was called to order at 5:07 PM on Wednesday February 2nd 2022
- d. Announcement that meeting is being recorded had been made, no objections

II. Open Public Meetings Act Notice

- a. Announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act
- b. Public Portion of the Meeting
 - i. Introduction of members of the public as well as potential new Board Members
 - ii. Motion to close made by Lina Doering, second by Evan Covello

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. Motion to approve May 2021, October 2021 and January 2022 meeting minutes made by Evan Covello, second by Linda Doering

IV. Report of Mental Health and Addiction Services Director

- a. Resumes for new members have been sent out to be reviewed and approved at next commissioners meeting.
- b. RFP review process to begin for Addictions Grant for agencies who have applied
- c. Members to contact Bart Chou or Shannon Ferray one week prior with any topics or information to share at the next meeting
- d. Attendance will continue to be recorded moving forward. If you can not attend a meeting, please let Bart Chou or Shannon Ferray know
- e. Providers to be invited to meetings moving forward to present to the Board about their services
- f. 8th Annual Behavioral and Education conference on February 4th, registration open to the public

V. Report of Standing Committees

- a. PAC/PACADA: Tina Miles from St. Joseph's nominated as the Mental health Cochair for PAC/PACADA. Addictions representation vacant, vote to be held at next meeting.
- b. CASS report: membership is appointed and nominated by LACADA. Chairperson has resigned and position is now vacant. Elections to be held on the next meeting 2/15/22. New membership recruitment continues.
- c. Municipal Alliances: programs and contracts are run on a fiscal year. Plans have been submitted, last years contracts will be closed out. MA is a reimbursement grant from GACADA which receives funds from drug and alcohol offenses. Plans to be submitted to the county for February

1st deadline. First quarterly meeting was held, next meeting will be in March with two presentations from UP In Passaic County.

VI. Report of Special Committees: None reported

VII. Old Business:

- a. Election for chair and vice of the board. Nomination for Chair made for Paula Tedesco by Linda Doering, second by Evan Covello. Paula accepted. Nomination for vice chair made by Linda for Evan, Evan respectfully declined nomination. Nomination for vice chair made by Paula for Ronna Bouton. Ronna accepted nomination.

VIII. New Business:

- a. Vote needed for Prospect Park Municipal Alliance Plan. All in favor for approval.

IX. Correspondence: None

X. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Linda Deoring, second made by Evan Covello

Submitted by Shannon Ferray

***All meetings will be held via videoconference until further notice. Please contact Shannon Ferray at shannonf@passaiccountynj.org for details on attending the virtual meeting.**

Meeting link:

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Meeting number: 2330 858 1965