



**Passaic County Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse
May 4th, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

I. Roll Call:

Members Present: Paula Tedesco, Ronna Bouton, Linda Doering, Natalie Palmer, Patrick Breen, Robert Nolan, Vito Andrisani

Others in attendance: Justin Winfrey, Debra Breheny, Tennille Jordan, Bart Chou, Erin Short, Shannon Ferray, Nataly Balah

Members Excused: Michele Shell, Andrea Ramalho

Members Absent: Evan Covello, Jeanette Pimentel, Jennifer Castaneda-Addrizzone, Le'Var Starr,

II. Open Public Meetings Act Notice:

a. Announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act

b. Public Portion of the Meeting

i. Tennille Jordan from Care Plus spoke about her agency, she joined the meeting to stay informed.

ii. Public portion of the meeting was opened. Motion made by Linda Doering seconded by Robert Nolan

iii. Public portion of the meeting was closed. Motion made by Robert Nolan and seconded by Linda Doering.

III. Approval of Minutes:

a. Approval of March minutes. Motion made by Linda Doering seconded by Ronna Bouton, Robert Nolan, Vito Andrisani, Patrick Breen abstained

IV. Report of Mental Health and Addiction Services Director:

a) Rebid – No applications received.

b) Available funds could potentially be applied to the expansion of the Hope One van program, either by purchasing another van or by permanently expanding the service schedule to 5 days.

c) Sober living provider submitted application, missed the postmark deadline, procurement will be consulted on next steps.

d) Next meeting is scheduled for June 1st. There will be no meetings in July & August. Meetings will resume September 7th and will continue October 5th, November 2nd & December 7th.

- e) New members initial packages are in processes of being sent out to new and existing members, containing certificates and bylaws. Bylaws will soon need to undergo required periodic revision. Committee will be created for such purpose.

V. Report of Standing Committees:

- a. Nothing to report.

VI. Report of Special Committees:

- a) Nataly Balah- CASS planning on FY23, plans were voted on by CASS and voted on by LACADA. The election needs to be ratified. Plans were sent to GACADA and 75% of the municipal alliance plans have been approved. May 17th voting will take place where the plans will get approved.
- b) DMHAS youth leadership grant will be submitted May 16. Plans will be submitted on May 6,2022 and forwarded to CASS and Lacada for review and approval. 9 municipalities are participating.
- c) Teen Summit was funded by GACADA in the past, now they submitted RFP and were funded, now they work with DMHAS
- d) Upper county, virtual spring Teen Summit on May 19, 2022 at 8:45PM. Fall Teen Summit will be in person, in one of the WPU ballroom.
- e) Voting for electronic votes took place, the yes have it.

VII. Old Business: None Reported

VIII. New Business: May is Mental Health month. Stigma free display at Ringwood Public Library.

IX. Correspondence: None Reported

X. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting Linda Doering, seconded by Robert Nolan Meeting was called to end at 5:26 PM

Submitted by Lindsay Lugo

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