



**Passaic County Mental Health Board  
June 1st, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Debbie O'Brien, Robert Nolan, Paula Tedesco, Julie Rikon, Jennifer Castaneda-Ardizzone, Ramon Pagan, Nanette Armenta

**Others in Attendance:** Cynthia Gatica, Bart Chou, Jenny Vuksic, Shannon Ferray, Rebekah Leon, Debra Breheny, Michaeline Buchanan, Rehana Rasool, Kathie Mendez, Aly Cerbone, Annette Wright, Justin Winfrey, Stephanie Jasinski, Robin Coley, Laura Marvel, Yogi Rathore.

**Members Absent:** Jeanette Pimentel

**Members Excused:**

**Open Public Meetings Law:**

- a. Announcement of the Open Public Meetings Act
- b. Public Portion of the meeting
  - i. Public portion of the meeting was opened. Motion made by Paula Tedesco and seconded by Debbie O'Brien
  - ii. Public portion of the meeting included agency led presentations. Representatives shared information about services available at their institutions.
  - iii. Public portion of the meeting was closed. Motion made by Julie Rikon and seconded by Debbie O'Brien
  - iv. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes made by Debbie O'Brien and seconded by Paula Tedesco

**Reports:**

- a. **New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Program Analyst Report:** No Report
- b. **Mental Health and Addiction Services Director Report:** DMHAS partnered with municipal Senior centers for presentations on Mental Health for the aging as May is Mental Health Awareness month. Hope One Van looking for places to park to better serve the community.
- c. **Professional Advisory Committee Report:** No Report

**Old Business:** No Report

**New Business:** Board recommended for renewal of state funded contracts for:

- NJCDC
- SERV
- *Mental Health Association in Passaic County*
- *Resources for Human Development*
- *Volunteers of America*
- *Community Health Law Project*
- *Collaborative Support Programs of New Jersey*

Motion to approve contract renewal for fiscal year starting July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 made by Paula Tedesco and seconded by Julie Rikon.

**Correspondence:** No Report

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made at 7:50 PM motioned by Nanette Armenta and seconded by Jennifer Castaneda-Ardizzone.

**\*All meetings will be held via videoconference until further notice. Please contact Shannon Ferray at [shannonf@passaiccountynj.org](mailto:shannonf@passaiccountynj.org) for details about attending**

**Submitted by Lindsay Lugo**