



**Passaic County Youth Services Commission
February 15, 2023, Minutes**

Voting members present:

1. Cynthia Heller
2. Susan Butterfield
3. Honorable Rudolph Filko
4. Arti Kakkar
5. Melanie M. Nowling, Esq.
6. Felicia Murray on behalf of Whitney Young
7. D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli
8. D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal
9. Bart Chou
10. Myrna Villanueva on behalf of Dawn Moody
11. Kerry Klug
12. La'Quan Hargrove
13. Donna Glinkin
14. Carolyn McCombs
15. Cristina Barnes-Lee
16. Jayna Patel
17. Kathi Champagne on behalf of James Sawyer
18. Mabel Elmore

Voting members absent:

1. Commissioner T.J. Best
2. Duwan Bogert
3. Bridget L. Thomas-Smith
4. Kesha Drakeford
5. Jason Harding

6. Jeannette Pimentel
7. Humberto Cuadrado
8. Sasha Lowery

Others present:

1. Francine Vince
2. Tashai McFarlane
3. Marilyn DelValle
4. Danielle Petillo
5. Laura McCarthy
6. Dr. Sybil Schreiber
7. Rachel Kinne
8. Charisa Moulton- Francis
9. Ingrid Vaca-Bullaro
10. Kelsey O'Connor
11. Indira Castillo
12. Liz Granovsky
13. Cindy Carrera
14. Alina Cabrera

The meeting was called to order by Starr, at 12:37 PM.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Present
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Present
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Present
Commissioner Theodore T.J. Best	Absent
Jason Harding	Absent
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Present
Jeannette Pimentel	Absent
Bart Chou	Present
Arti Kakkar	Present
Kesha Drakeford	Absent
Bridget L. Thomas Smith	Absent
Mabel Elmore	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
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Present
Carolyn McCombs	Present
Jayna Patel	Present
Marqweesha Guthrie	Absent
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Present
Kerry Klug	Present
Susan Butterfield	Present

Approval of minutes dated November 16, 2022, and January 18, 2023
Moved by Pacelli and seconded by Klug
Minutes were approved for November 16, 2022, and January 18, 2023

Reports:

Monitoring Committee, McFarlane stated that they did not have anything to report on.

Allocations Committee, Starr stated that they had 5 items (2 proposals, 2 budget modification increases, and 1-RTJ (Restorative Transformative Justice) RFP (Request for Proposal) recommendation that needed to be voted on:

1. The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy (ATM) Youth Uplift Program (YUP) that submitted a proposal for \$70,000
2. Grades4life -Entrepreneurship Program that submitted a proposal for \$14,000
3. City of Passaic Police (Local Station House Adjustment Program) that submitted a budget modification request for an increase for CPR cards and training for youth and staff in the amount of \$1,290 (SCP) to bring program total to: \$41,091
 - a. Program funding is currently \$17,629 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) and with the addition of \$1,290 this will bring their awards to: \$18,889 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) for a total of \$41,091
4. Passaic County Recreation Department (Youth Leadership Retreat) program that submitted a budget modification request for an increase in the amount of \$10,000 (SCP) to bring program total to: \$42,000
 - a. Program funding is currently \$12,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) and with the addition of \$10,000 with will bring their awards to: \$22,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) to bring program total to: \$42,000
5. RTJ (Restorative Transformative Justice) pilot program grant RFP (Request for Proposal) for \$1,642,200 to provide a HUB. There were 2 applicants, Reimagining Justice, and New Destiny Family Success Center. The RFP review committee chose New Destiny Family Success Center
Patel reported on all the proposals that were discussed in the Allocations sub-committee meeting.

The first proposal to be voted on was The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy (ATM) who submitted a proposal in the amount of \$70,000 (SCP) to provide Youth Uplift Project Program (YUP).

A motion was made by Pacelli and seconded by Butterfield to approve The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy (ATM) for their Youth Uplift Project Program proposal in the amount of \$70,000 (SCP) for 2023.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Abstained
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Yes
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Yes
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Yes
Bart Chou	Yes
Arti Kakkar	Yes
Mabel Elmore	Yes
Donna Glinkin	Yes
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Yes
Cynthia Heller	Yes

La'Quan Hargrove	Yes
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Yes
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Yes
Carolyn McCombs	Yes
Jayna Patel	Yes
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Yes
Kerry Klug	Yes
Susan Butterfield	Yes

Motion passed with 17 yeases, and 1 abstention. To approve the The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy (ATM) for their Youth Uplift Project Program proposal in the amount of \$70,000 (SCP) for 2023.

Starr discussed the proposal for Grades4life for 2023.

A motion was made by Pacelli and seconded by Butterfield to approve the Grades4life Entrepreneurship Program proposal in the amount of \$14,000 (SCP) for 2023.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Abstained
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Yes
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Yes
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Yes
Bart Chou	Yes
Arti Kakkar	Yes
Mabel Elmore	Yes
Donna Glinkin	Yes
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Yes
Cynthia Heller	Yes
La'Quan Hargrove	Yes
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Yes
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Yes
Carolyn McCombs	Yes
Jayna Patel	Yes
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Yes
Kerry Klug	Yes
Susan Butterfield	Yes

Motion passed with 17 yeases, and 1 abstention to approve the Grades4life Entrepreneurship Program proposal in the amount of \$14,000 (SCP) for 2023.

Starr briefly discussed a budget modification submitted by the City of Passaic, Police Department (Local Station House Adjustment Program) where they are asking for additional dollars to provide CPR cards and training for 60 youths and staff in the amount of \$1,290 (SCP) Program funding is currently \$17,629 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) and with the addition of \$1,290 this will bring their awards to: \$18,889 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) for a total of \$41,091(*see attachment*).

A motion was made by Pacelli and seconded by Elmore.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Abstained
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Yes
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Yes
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Yes

Bart Chou	Yes
Arti Kakkar	Yes
Mabel Elmore	Yes
Donna Glinkin	Yes
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Abstained
Cynthia Heller	Yes
La'Quan Hargrove	Yes
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Yes
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Yes
Carolyn McCombs	Yes
Jayna Patel	Yes
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Yes
Kerry Klug	Yes
Susan Butterfield	Yes

Motion passed with 16 yeses, and 2 abstentions to provide CPR cards and training for 60 youths and staff in the amount of \$1,290 (SCP) Program funding is currently \$17,629 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) and with the addition of \$1,290 this will bring their awards to: \$18,889 (SCP) and \$22,172 (FC) for a total of \$41,091

Starr discussed a budget modification request to increase dollars for the Passaic County Recreation Department for their Youth Leadership Retreat program in the amount of \$10,000 (SCP) Program funding is currently \$12,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) and with the addition of \$10,000 with will bring their awards to: \$22,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) to bring program total to: \$42,000 (*see attachment*).

A motion was made by Cristobal and seconded by Pacelli.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Abstained
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Yes
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Yes
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Yes
Bart Chou	Yes
Arti Kakkar	Yes
Mabel Elmore	Yes
Donna Glinkin	Yes
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Yes
Cynthia Heller	Yes
La'Quan Hargrove	Yes
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Yes
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Yes
Carolyn McCombs	Yes
Jayna Patel	Yes
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Yes
Kerry Klug	Abstained
Susan Butterfield	Yes

Motion passed with 16 yeses, and 2 abstentions to increase dollars for the Passaic County Recreation Department for their Youth Leadership Retreat program in the amount of \$10,000 (SCP) Program funding is currently \$12,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) and with the addition of \$10,000 with will bring their awards to: \$22,000 (SCP) and \$20,000 (FC) to bring program total to: \$42,000

The SCP (State Community Partnership) dollars used to increase City of Passaic, Police Department (Local SHAP), Passaic County Recreation Department for their Youth Leadership Program, The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy (Youth Uplift Project) Program, and Grades4life/Entrepreneurship Program was used from the SCP Unallocated Funds:

- SCP unallocated total \$410,576
- SCP modification for City of Passaic Police, Police Department (Local SHAP) \$1,290
- SCP modification for Passaic County Recreation Department (Youth Leadership Retreat) program \$10,000
- The Alonzo “Tambua” Moody Academy, Youth Uplift Project (YUP) Program \$70,000
- Grades4life, Entrepreneurship Program \$14,000
- SCP Unallocated total after 2 modification increases and 2 proposal approvals: \$315,286

Patel reported on the RTJ (Restorative Transformative Justice) grant (Request for Proposal) RFP for \$1,642,200 to provide a HUB. There were two applicants, Reimagining Justice, and New Destiny Family Success Center. The RFP review committee chose New Destiny Family Success Center (*see attachment*).

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Abstained
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Yes
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Yes
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Yes
Bart Chou	Yes
Arti Kakkar	Yes
Mabel Elmore	Yes
Donna Glinkin	Yes
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Yes
Cynthia Heller	Yes
La’Quan Hargrove	Yes
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Yes
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Yes
Carolyn McCombs	Abstained
Jayna Patel	Yes
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Yes
Kerry Klug	Yes
Susan Butterfield	Yes

Motion passed with 16 yeses, and 2 abstentions to approve New Destiny Success Center to provide Restorative Transformative Justice Dream HUB for 3/14/2023 to October 31, 2024, in the amount of \$1,642,200.

Patel discussed the Passaic High School proposal and Filko expressed his concerns and there was a lengthy discussion. The proposal was tabled until the next meeting. The allocations committee will discuss the proposal at their next meeting before presenting it at the next YSC meeting.

Planning Committee, McCombs reported that the planning sub-committee met and discussed preparation for the 3-year plan and will resend the survey so that providers can send it out to parents and youths.

Youth Services Commission Administrators,

- Starr reported on the need for all voting members to join a sub-committee as it is part of their requirements.

- Starr stated that they need someone to chair the monitoring sub-committee and explained the responsibilities. Kathi Champagne volunteered to chair the YSC monitoring sub-committee.
- Starr stated that we are currently in the process of preparing marketing items to send to folks regarding training locations for the RTJ HUB.

JJC (Juvenile Justice Commission) Compton-Dover stated that she did not have anything to report on.

Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Nowling stated that she did not have any updates.

Chair report, the chairs did not have any updates, Heller stated that she did not have any updates.

Commissioner's Report, Commissioner Best was not present.

Announcements:

- Cristobal announced that their local Station House Adjustment Program will start on March 4, 2023, and their Regional Station House Adjustment Program will start on March 11, 2023.
- Dutton reported that Circle of Care will host an Annual Wellness Day on May 20, 2023.
- Dutton also reported that their Youth Center is currently open at Center City Mall.
- Klug reported that the Youth Leadership Retreat will be held on July 5,6,7, and 8th. Marketing and applications will be emailed out to all soon.

Meeting adjourned at 1:41 PM

The next Youth Services Commission meeting will be held in person,
PCCC Wanaque, 500 Union Avenue, Haskell, N.J. 07420 @ 12:00PM

Attest:

Marilyn DeValle