



**Passaic County Youth Services Commission
April 19, 2023, Minutes**

Voting members present:

1. Paulina Dutton on behalf of Cynthia Heller
2. Susan Butterfield
3. Honorable Rudolph Filko
4. Commissioner Orlando Cruz
5. Jason Harding
6. Arti Kakkar
7. Duwan Bogert
8. Jason Williams
9. Felicia Murray on behalf of Whitney Young
10. D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli
11. D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal
12. Bart Chou
13. Myrna Villanueva on behalf of Dawn Moody
14. Kerry Klug
15. La'Quan Hargrove
16. Donna Glinkin
17. Carolyn McCombs
18. Cristina Barnes-Lee
19. Jeannette Pimentel
20. Humberto Cuadrado
21. Sasha Lowery
22. Dr. Sybil Schreiber

Voting members absent:

1. Melanie M. Nowling, Esq.
2. James Sawyer
3. Jayna Patel, Esq.
4. Bridget L. Thomas-Smith
5. Mabel Elmore

Others present:

1. Francine Vince
2. Tashai McFarlane
3. Marilyn DelValle
4. Lisa McCoy
5. Laura McCarthy
6. Teddy Wright
7. Jessica Taub
8. Chris Johnson
9. Rachel Kinne
10. Indira Castillo
11. Cindy Carrera

The meeting was called to order by Butterfield, at 12:40 PM.

Hon. Rudolph A. Filko	Present
Melanie Nowling, Esq.	Absent
Dawn Moody Alt. Myrna Villanueva	Present
Commissioner Orlando Cruz	Present
Jason Harding	Present
Whitney Young Alt. Felicia Murray	Present
Jeannette Pimentel	Present
Bart Chou	Present
Arti Kakkar	Present
Kesha Drakeford Alt. Jaime Jackett	Present
Bridget L. Thomas Smith	Absent
Mabel Elmore	Absent
Donna Glinkin	Present
D/Sgt. Laila Cristobal	Present
Duwan Bogert	Present
Cynthia Heller Alt. Paulina Dutton	Present
La'Quan Hargrove	Present
Humberto Cuadrado	Present
D/Sgt. Kelly Pacelli	Present
James Sawyer Alt. Kathi Champagne	Absent
Carolyn McCombs	Present
Jayna Patel	Absent
Marqweesha Guthrie	Absent
Cristina Barnes-Lee	Present
Kerry Klug	Present

Reports:

Monitoring Committee, McFarlane stated that they will schedule a meeting soon and completed 2 monitoring visits to City of Passaic Police Department's SHAP and PEEP (Probation Education Enrichment Program). McFarlane further stated that they have two monitoring scheduled this month: Center for Family Services FCIU (Family Crisis Intervention Unit) @ 1PM on April 20, 2023, and Mental Health Center of Passaic on April 27, 2023 @ 1:30 PM. Vuksic will send out a sign-up sheet for volunteers as soon as the other sites are scheduled.

Allocations Committee, Starr stated that the allocation sub-committee did not meet but will meet next month.

Planning Committee, McCombs stated that the 3-year planning is in full force. Surveys were sent out to all folks, and highly recommend that everyone complete them and send them in for data and planning purposes (this year parents will be included to complete surveys).

Youth Services Commission Administrators,

- Starr stated for all folks to send out surveys to everyone and complete them for research and data purposes for their 3-year Comprehensive Plan
- Starr stated that all providers send in their 2023 contracts if they have not done so already
- Starr introduced the new County Commissioner (Orlando Cruz) who took over for T.J. Best and will be part of the YSC (Youth Services Commission)
- RTJ Restorative Practices Training available either April 25, 2023, from 10-3 PM or May 8th and 11th, 2023 from 5-7 PM, those attending May training have to attend both dates (May 8 & 11)
- If anyone is interested in attending any RTJ meetings please contact Le'Var Starr levars@passaiccountyj.org or Marilyn DelValle @ marilynd@passaiccountynj.org
- The next Lunch & Learn will be on June 21, 2023, Jessica Taub will give a full RTJ (Restorative Transformative Justice) training. *Location to be determined.*
- The monitoring sub-committee is still looking for voting members to monitor for 2023, 2 voting members are required to monitor each program.
- Starr attended both PEEP (Probation Education Enrichment Program) and City of Passaic, Police Department's local SHAP graduations.
- Youth Leadership Retreat will be held from July 5-8th, 2023, applications close May 1, 2023.

JJC (Juvenile Justice Commission) Compton-Dover stated that a provider was identified to create the blueprint for Passaic County's RTJ grant (New Destiny Family Success Center) with JJC (Juvenile Justice Commission) support. Compton-Dover also stated that this year is a planning year where the whole Comprehensive Plan must be redone. Compton-Dover also stated that the Passaic County's new parole team wants to be part of the Youth Services Commission.

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

Chair report, the chairs did not have any updates.

Commissioner's Report, Commissioner Cruz introduced himself to the commission and reported that on Friday, April 28, 2023, the County is having an all-day Public Service Conference at the Police Academy and food will be provided.

Announcements:

- Cristobal announced that their local Station House Adjustment program graduated 17 students.
- Klug reported that registration for the Youth Leadership Retreat will close on May 1, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 1:29 PM

The next Youth Services Commission meeting will be on May 17, 2023 @ 12:30 PM in person, 401 Grand Street, 2nd Floor, Commissioner's Boardroom, Paterson, NJ 07505

Attest:

Marilyn DelValle