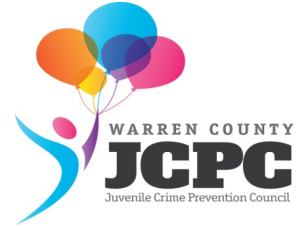


**WARREN COUNTY
JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: January 13, 2020

Location: Warren County Armory (501 US Hwy 158 Bus E., Warrenton, NC, 27589)



In Attendance:

*Cathy Alston-Kearney – Warren County Schools, Chair (January 2020)**
Goble Lane –Warrenton Police Chief, Vice- Chair (June 2020)
*Walter Powell – Commissioner (December 2021)**
*Vincent Jones – County Manager (Term of Employment)**
Angelena Kearney-Dunlap – Alternate for County Manager**
Lisa Blalock – Clerk of Court (Term of Employment)**
*Eddie Crews – Central Area Consultant – Mandated
*Hilda Baskerville – Health Department (Term of Employment)**
Richard Booker – Zion United Methodist Church (January 2020)**
Barbara Brayboy – Community Member (June 2021)**
*Aimee Anderson – Community Member (January 2020)**
*Linda Byrd – Community Member (February 2021) **
*Montoya Stevenson – Sheriff’s Department (May 2021)**
Melissa Maloko – Office of Juvenile Justice (Alternate for Pat Talarizadeh)**
*Reinaldo Espinosa – 2nd Chance (May 2021)**
*Willie Boyd, Jr. – Community Member (May 2021)**
Whitney Robertson – Cardinal Innovations (October 2021)**
Chelsea Jennings – Warren County Schools (Alternate for Cathy Alston-Kearney)**
Evelyn Taylor – Program Boys and Girls Club
*Crystal Smith – 4-H WAY Program Director
*Bryan Fuller – 4-H WAY Program Coordinator
*Ruthie Davis – WCJCPC Program Coordinator/Secretary
*Felicia Gupton – WC Department of Social Services

*Names with an * (asterisk) before their name attended meeting. Voting members have two asterisks ** after their name.*

- Meeting called to order by Chair
- Quorum; No, 7
- December 9, 2019 meeting minutes reviewed and noted with no added corrections at this time.
- January 13, 2020 meeting agenda reviewed and noted as proposed.

Program Review

- **4-H WAY (Warren Advocating for Youth) Teen Court:** Introduction of Bryan Fuller 4-H WAY Program Coordinator who began on Dec. 16, 2019. Crystal Smith presented documentation of program report for the month of November 2019 with beginning count of 5 and ending count of 5 youth served. Educational empowerment sessions have been very effective. Several students are showing evidence of progress in the areas of decision making, effective communication and anger management. Teen Court continues to be beneficial to both the at-risk youth and the teen court volunteers. Teen Court was held on November 7th and November 21st were Commissioner Pierce and Lisa Alston both served as judges. Teen Court volunteers completed a training on effective communication and count of 5 and 2 new admissions and 1 successful completion for an ending count of 6 youth served. Several students completed the required educational empowerment sessions. During the sessions students were very engaged in the lessons being taught and provided a lot of feedback. Two new students completed intake process and were admitted into the teen court. One student was successfully terminated from the teen court program.
- **4-H WAY (Warren Advocating for Youth) Community Service/Restitution:** Crystal Smith presented documentation of program report for the month of November 2019 began with 5 youth with 3 new admissions for a total of 8 youth served. All 3 admitted this month were placed at community service worksites and received good reports from worksite supervisors. Students assisted the Warren County Veteran Services in the lighting of the courthouse square and our Warm and Fuzzy pop-up event, assisting needy families in the county. Youth went the extra mile to complete a report on what they were doing at the Veteran Service. Several of the youth will be assisting with the upcoming “Pay It Forward” event, where they will help with setting up the venue and the distribution of gifts to sponsored families. Crystal Smith presented documentation of program report for the month of December 2019 with a beginning county of 8 and 3 successful completions for an ending count of 5 youth served. Several students participated in the Pay It Forward event where they were able to complete some community service hours. Pay It Forward is a program which is sent to a mega church in Cary and they sponsor families and families received a turkey and a box of food. We also had 3 students who were successfully terminated from community service restitution, completing all of their required hours. Partnered with EMS and WFI (Warren Family Institute) to discuss fire and food safety during the holidays. Youth left with gifts that were wrapped to be opened on Christmas day. New community service sites Peer Services in Warrenton and Northend Barbershop in Norlina.
- **Boys & Girls Club/ Positive Action:** Evelyn Taylor emailed program report and documentation for the month of December 2019 with a beginning count of 18 and an ending count of 18 youth served. Members are definitely getting into the swing of things. It has taken time to get things rolling but members are adjusting well and enjoying the program. Schools are sending referrals in but intake is moving very slowly. We have taken a different approach to get parents to fill out intake forms. We have reached out to referral sources to help with the intake process. Northside has hired a new AP and counselor. We are encouraged with the help of this newly formed team, we will have full program shortly.

- Monitoring needs to take place very soon. With 2 programs it will not take long.
- RFP in process now
 - Out for 30 days at least
 - Nonprofit or government agencies
 - 2020-2021 fiscal year has additional funds due to raise the age
- Revisions for additional 2019-2020 budget
 - For conference and other needs, public event, food, etc.
- There has not been a major influx of 16 and 17 year olds at this point
- Orientation at the beginning of the fiscal year for new members

Court Counselor

Old Business

- Bylaws
 - Email proposed revisions to members for review before next meeting.
 - Quorum is not 50% of members plus 1
 - Maybe 25% of members plus 1
 - Check with state law

New Business

- Membership Reappointments – tabled due to no quorum
 - Send email to have members vote for reappointments.

Comments

- Cathy Alston-Kearney – how did youth help during event?
 - Crystal Smith – the Farmers Christmas event and they helped to setup for clothing give away and were able to take advantage of the clothing give away as well. ?
- Cathy Alston-Kearney – how can JCPC help with the intake process for BGC?
- Cathy Alston-Kearney – for RFP, can we prioritize services in terms of WC needs?
 - Eddie Crews – Whitney was to present to now duplicate services in the county however, she had other meetings today due to the MLK, Jr holiday which is usually when that other county meets. We can wait for her presentation to make a decision.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – Whitney was unable to attend to go to another JCPC meeting. It seems best to wait until the presentation before going forward with 20-21 RFP.
 - Reinaldo Espinosa – we should want to know more about the programs and services before moving forward with RFP as well as before funding any program.
 - Eddie Crews – a lot of times people have a difficult time to get to services due to transportation, not knowing about them and other challenges.
 - Felecia Gupton – how effective are services if people are unable to get to services?
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – this can be discussed more at the February meeting after Whitney’s presentation.
- Vincent Jones – the county will be presenting budget in early May to commissioners, so it would be best to have a budget for JCPC before May.

- Cathy Alston-Kearney – program coordinator send email to interest parties to have them meet before next JCPC meeting.
- Cathy Alston-Kearney – no court counselor at this time.
 - Vincent Jones – is there a WC office for the court counselor?
 - Eddie Crews – yes there is a WC office however, they do not have anyone full time for admin and the office is often empty.
 - Vincent Jones – had a call today and I had them call the Henderson office.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – that is fine as the WC office does not have admin. support.
- Cathy Alston-Kearney – mandated positioned members we can ask them to designate an alternate to attend in members absents and they would be added to the email list to keep up with what has happened and can vote in members absents when necessary. May need to add proxy language in bylaws.
 - Reinaldo Espinosa – it does not seem fair to have someone send in your spot to vote. To bring someone else in who has not been at meetings.
 - Eddie Crews – understandable however, a member’s designee can vote on behalf of that member.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – have county attorney look at proposed bylaws update for review.

Announcements

- Crystal Smith – LIT meets every week and Warren County Schools have provided a classroom or “kickback room” for youth. Volunteers are still needed.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – is there a volunteer application? \
 - Crystal Smith – yes, and background check is required that is done through NC Cooperative Extension
- Hilda Baskerville – Med Assist is having its annual over the counter medications giveaway on February 21st at Shiloh Baptist Church in Henderson from 9am-2pm. WC and VC residence can volunteer and receive medications. Will email flyer to program coordinator.
 - Vincent Jones – Med Assist had that in WC last year correct?
 - Hilda Baskerville – yes, it was in WC last year but Med Assist alternates counties each year. It will be in WC in 2021.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: Monday, February 10, 2020 @ 12:00pm at Armory