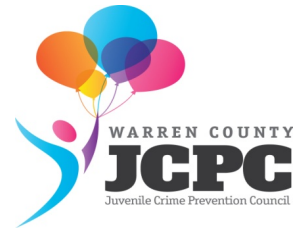


**WARREN COUNTY
JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: February 10, 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)**
- Linda Byrd – Community Member (February 2021) **
- *Aimee Anderson – Community Member (January 2020)**
- Montoya Stevenson – Sheriff’s Department (May 2021)**
- *Melissa Maloko – Office of Juvenile Justice**
- *Reinaldo Espinosa – 2nd Chance (May 2021)**
- Willie Boyd, Jr. – Community Member (May 2021)**
- *Felicia Gupton – Warren County DSS (January 2022)**
- *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
- *Marion Richards, Guest

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

- Meeting called to order by Chair
- Quorum; yes, 10
- Motion to accept January 13 meeting minutes as written by Goble Lane and second by Hilda Baskerville, motion passed.
- Motion to accept February 10 meeting agenda with addition of RFP review by Goble Lane and second by Barbara Brayboy, motion passed.

Program Review

- **4-H WAY (Warren Advocating for Youth) Teen Court:** Crystal Smith presented documentation of program report for the month of January 2020 with a beginning count of 5 and 2 successful completions for an ending count of 3 youth and a total of 7 youth served year to date. Two clients have successfully completed all teen court sanctions and were terminated successfully. Several parents attended parent empowerment sessions and were very receptive of the information provided. 2 clients completed their required 6 hours of empowerment sessions. They both participated willingly and showed that received the information provided by answering questions and giving excellent feedback. Teen Court training was planned for Thursday, Feb. 6th but due to inclement weather the training has been postponed until Tuesday, Feb. 11th. Also, next court session is scheduled February 20th where there are 3 cases on the docket.
- **4-H WAY (Warren Advocating for Youth) Community Service/Restitution:** Crystal Smith presented documentation of program report for the month of January 2020 with a beginning count of 8 with 1 new admission and 3 successful completions for an ending count of 6 youth. Successfully terminated 3 clients this month. All 3 clients received good reports from worksites supervisors. Several clients will participate in yard sale event sponsored by Loaves and Fishes Ministry to complete community service hours on Saturday February 15, 2020. Currently have 25 volunteers plus additional 13 received from Ms. Angelena Kearney-Dunlap, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners. Saturday sessions or parents who are unable to attend during the week. It is a parenting platform for parents to share and feel comfortable sharing with other parents. WFI brought parents and youth together to talk and communicate which is the most popular and enjoyed session by parents and youth. Chromebooks are in and ready to go. Will meet with IT and provider to get an additional services/security on the Chromebooks. Teen Retreat coming soon and 2 youth will participate for leadership development about 120 youth total will participate. There is a banquet and dance Saturday and Sunday will go through Reality Store to teach youth financial responsibility.
- **Boys & Girls Club/ Positive Action:** Evelyn Taylor emailed program report and documentation for the months of December 2019 and January 2020. Apologize for absents on January's meeting she had an emergency. December 2019 beginning count of 18 an no new admissions for an ending count of 18 youth. Members are definitely getting into the swing of things. It has taken a while to get things rolling but members are adjusting well and enjoying the program. Schools are sending referrals in but intake is moving very slow. Taking a different approach to get parents to complete intake forms. Reached out to referral sources to help with the intake process. Northside has hired a new AP and counselor. Program is encouraged with the help of this newly formed team the program will be full shortly. January 2020 beginning count 18 with 4 new admissions for a total of 22 youth. Members are working well through the program and new members are getting use to the program. Intake is still moving slowly. Parents are not returning the intake forms as quickly as would like. Ms. Dunbar is working to help fill additional positions. Also, the new CPO for BGC is Donyell Jones beginning March 2nd currently working in Wake Co. BGC.

- Look at risk needs data to determine what needs to be on RFP
- What are the most pressed needs in WC
- \$98,177 in state dollars for 2020-2021
- Admin revisions have been accepted and approved
- Spring NCJSA Conference 4th-6th of March, all interested see program coordinator for details
- Monitoring needs to be completed soon

Court Counselor

Old Business

- Bylaws
 - Motion made by Goble Lane to accept the bylaws as written after research of the 25% plus 1 of membership, second by Felicia Gupton; motion passed.

New Business

- New and Reappointment Memberships
 - Motion made by Angelena K.-Dunlap to approve the reappointments of Cathy A.-Kearney, Chelsa Jennings, Richard Booker, Aimee Anderson in their current roles on the council and accept new member at large Marion Richards and Felicia Gupton of Social Services, second by Barbara Brayboy; motion passed.

Comments

- Felicia Gupton – with intake taking so much time, can visits be made to homes?
 - Evelyn Taylor – yes, in the process of making home visits however, I was advised to hold off on making how visits at this time.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney - BGC have enough referrals just not signed paperwork.
 - Evelyn Taylor – yes, correct.
- Reinaldo Espinosa – how many Hispanic students?
 - Crystal Smith – TC & CSR only have 1 youth referred from Juvenile Justice. Mentoring program done at WCMS has a few but referrals are not part of JCPC.
 - Reinaldo Espinosa – do you have anyone on staff who is bilingual.
 - Crystal Smith – it is available if notified in advance, the state provides someone for NC Cooperative Extension if notice is given in advance.
 - Melissa Maloko – there may be more languages that are required within the counties which is why advance notice is necessary to get someone to come
 - Crystal Smith – correct.
 - Angelena K.-Dunlap – list of county options as well for languages and other resources provided for agencies in need.
 - Cathy Alston-Kearney – I understand Mr. Espinosa’s concern as the Hispanic population is a large growing in the county and that should be kept in mind
- Felicia Gupton – during the parenting sessions is Triple P used.
 - Crystal Smith – Parenting Matters is used and certified through NC A&T, there is a section on parenting survey that asks if there are specific topics parents would like to talk about.
 - Felicia Gupton – training coming soon in Rocky Mount, NC that is free

- Cathy Alston-Kearney – Warren Family Institute, Health Department and Social Services are Triple P certified
- Felicia Gupton – with visits to the high schools WCHS and WCNTHS was WECHS visited?
 - Crystal Smith – most youth are already volunteers from WECHS, reaching out to Haliwa School and was able to make some connections and have home school youth volunteers as well.
- Eddie Crews – have literacy coach been hired?
 - Crystal Smith – in conversations with 2 people, expectations need to be sent and the second person may be able to begin in March.
 - Eddie Crews – contract templates and make revisions to budget.
- Cathy Alston-Kearney – school system is hitting attendance hard because so many students are missing school.
 - Melissa Maloko – sending parents and youth to court may be diverted or see if other services are available instead of court.
 - Whitney Robertson – in Vance JCPC has a specific program for youth who miss school.
 - Melissa Maloko – JAC (Juvenile Attendance Council) is the name in Vance Co. but it is not in WC.
 - Eddie Crews – not in WC, more skill building can be added to RFP for programming as missing school is an early on thing. Any kind of mentoring or other program to make sure youth are attending school.
 - Hilda Baskerville – there use to be a JAC type program in WC however, they no longer meet. The judge would talk to the youth and parent about what would happen if the youth continue to miss school.
 - Reinaldo Espinosa – while the youth are at school they have teachers and counselors to help with issues, there may be harm by putting these youth in front of a judge at such young ages. It is about getting to know the youth and talking to them about what they like and what they want to do and allow them that opportunity.
 - Crystal Smith – have a conversation about JAC as a committee and see if that is a program worth bringing back to the county.
 - Goble Lane – going to the courts first thing because law enforcement is unable to take youth back to school or enforce that youth are not in school.
- Angelena K.-Dunlap – a grant was given for a gang assessment is there some funds available to do that again?
 - Eddie Crews – maybe next year in admin funds or discretionary funds may be requested for such a project to be completed.
 - Cathy A.-Kearney - phase 2 of that assessment can be how to get youth out of gangs.

Announcements

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2020 @ 12:00pm at Armory