

**BURLINGTON COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUTH SUCCESS
LARGE RECONVENING
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EMERGENCY SERVICES TRAINING CENTER
53 ACADEMY DRIVE, WESTAMPTON, NJ 08060
SUMMARY REPORT**

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I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Philip Aronow welcomed the room, stating that the goals of these combined meetings are to share information, reduce the number of meetings, empower dialogue across the county, and to ultimately continue to grow and change the efforts put forth for positive youth development and prevention. He thanked everyone for coming and stated that if there are areas that need to be changed please feel free to give suggestions.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- January, 23, 2018 Meeting Minutes were approved.

III. E.Y.E.S REPORT OUT

- Greg Lambard and Joe Rivera (BCIT) discussed the website that has been created to support the efforts of all of the county partners. Greg announced that the website is currently up and running (<http://bcpys.bcit.cc>). He further noted that the website will include: information about every partner and their various entities, the branding of our combined organization, and contact information for various services, resources, and members. He stated that the website is geared to serve those working within the system of services and resources. Further, he stated that information for the website is needed by June and should be sent to himself (*Greg Lambard, Greg.Lambard@njcourts.gov*) or Joe Rivera (*jrivera@burlcoschools.org*). The website will have a resources section that will hold past agendas and meeting minutes. Greg further noted that the website has a search unit available that makes it easier and more efficient to find what you need. Greg stated that they need suggestions; the resources section will eventually have information about others' systems and publicly available data links, but they need people to send them this information. Additionally, Greg discussed that the website will have a scenarios section that will describe real life scenarios and help unfamiliar individuals solve problems and link youth and families to resources. Karen Rosado is facilitating a subcommittee that brainstorms and creates these scenarios. When information is submitted to BCIT students to add to the website, the students will circle back with the contributors to make sure that the website is what they need it to be. Lastly, Greg mentioned the calendar section of the website that will provide all future meetings and events with their date, time, and location.

IV. CHILDREN'S INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE (CIACC) REPORT & CHILDREN SYSTEM'S REVIEW

- Rachel Morgan discussed the Nurtured Heart Approach, a method that guards against the re-traumatization of youth. Further, she mentioned the CSOC RFP for developmental disabilities. Finally, Rachel stated that the CIACC will be updating their list of county outpatient providers.
- **Children's System of Care-** Mike Dallahan stated that they hold a meeting every month in the Humans Services Building. The meetings incorporate various representatives from mental health

and allow them to share information and identify barriers or concerns at the county level. They inform the state about their findings on the county level.

- **Partners for Kids and Families (CMO)** - Further, he mentioned that the DCPD is doing a presentation project centered on bringing functional family therapy to homes as a way to stabilize youth. In the spring, the DCPD will start bringing this presentation to Gloucester, Salem, and Cumberland County. Additionally, Mike mentioned that the DCPD recently completed a quality review. This allowed the DCPD to speak with served families to gain an understanding of the areas they are excelling in and the areas that can be improved.
- **Mobile Response-** Mike also mentioned Mobile Response; essentially MR goes to homes, schools, etc. to help deescalate crisis. Mobile Response relates to one of the initiatives in the Children's System of Care. Mobile Response is automatically activated when children have to move so that these children are able to have short term services in place, if necessary. Burlington County's numbers for this are lower, but the Children's System of Care is trying to work with Mobile Response and DCPD to see why the numbers are lower.
- **Screening Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP)-** Additionally, Mike mentioned SCIP, stating that families are able to see if kids need to be screened, kids that are eligible can be screened, and from there, it is determined whether or not they need to be hospitalized. The Children's System of Care is having troubles getting the kids that need hospitalization a hospital bed.
- **Children's Crisis Intervention Services (CCIS)-** Further, he mentioned that a representative from the CCIS will be doing additional problem solving.
- **DD/ID Subcommittee-** Finally, Mike mentioned that the Children's System of Care is in the process of developing this subcommittee.

V. YSAC REPORT

- Jim Groff stated that the first YSAC meeting of the year was on February 20th, and in this meeting they provided individuals with a background orientation. Additionally, he stated that over the course of their regular YSAC meeting there will be a focus on each point of the five-part continuum (Prevention, Diversion, Detention, Disposition, Re-Entry). Further, Jim mentioned that the YSAC Planning Committee was able to do a lot of evaluation and approvals of RFPs, some of their new programs include: After School Program, Credible Messenger Mentoring, and Rise (a Trauma Informed Intervention program). Jim also mentioned that one of the existing YSAC programs is the Burlington County Sheriff's Department's Equestrian Mentoring Program. The program targets youth between the ages of 13 and 17. The next program begins May 12th and runs until July 19th. If you know someone who can benefit from being referred to this program, please call the Sheriff's Department (609-845-2829). Finally Jim mentioned that the JJC requires the YSAC to attend a State Association meeting. This allows the YSAC to gain an understanding of what is happening at the state level. Additionally, there will be a retreat held for Youth Services Administrators.
- Greg Lambard added that in an effort to educate attendees on all the entities and resources in the county, we plan on spending a combined meeting on explaining the purpose of various entities and their connections with one another and the county at large. He further noted that the topics that Jim and Ric are discussing are key and that it will be beneficial for all to know beforehand about the different parts of the system.
- Rachel Morgan also added that everyone will not be able to know every single provider, but at least having and knowing a contact in a different realm will help put you in a better direction.

VI. PEMBERTON MUNICIPALITY REPORT OUT

- Jen Myers discussed that last year the Pemberton Municipality Group had identified Trauma Informed schools as a main goal after they were presented the Walter Rand's data for their township. From this data and analysis, they formed a Trauma Informed Care subcommittee. Last year the subcommittee, with the great help of Holly Corsanico, brought Trauma Informed Care to the schools, this year they are focusing on bringing Trauma Informed Care to the entire community. Jen stated that the subcommittee is planning to screen a clip of the movie, *Paper Tigers*, that will be accompanied with a question and answer panel and a resource fair. All organizations that are interested in participating are encouraged to send someone from their entity with pamphlets and contact information. She believes that this event will allow members of the Pemberton community to gain a greater understanding of the resources in their community. She stated that the Pemberton Municipality group has arranged for two screenings: the first will be on Tuesday, May 1st, at the BMIA Recreation Center from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. & the second screening will be scheduled on Thursday, May 10th from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Dominique Johnson Center. The screenings will be held during the month of May because May is Mental Health Awareness month. Jen mentioned that the municipality has requested funds from the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office to pay for the movie licensing fee and funds from Chief Jantas and the Chiefs Association to provide food at these events. She stated that if Willingboro and Burlington County want to partner, Pemberton would be more than happy to give information and to them. Finally she mentioned that they are planning to have a focus group with Pemberton High School to obtain the youth perspective.

VII. Announcements:

- Amy Dean from Faith in Action made an announcement about their Parent Group, the Burlington County Agricultural Center, and about the Sheriff's Police and Teens event that is occurring in April.
- Kelsey Scarlett announced that the winner of the vote for the group name was the Burlington County Partnership for Youth Success.