

Cape May County Youth Services Commission (YSC)  
September 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
3 p.m. Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)

This meeting is held in compliance with N.J.A.C. Title 13. Law and Public Safety Chapter 90 New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission 13:90-2.8 (b) and is conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10: 4-6 *et seq.*

Call to Order – P. Devaney

Present:

Jennifer Valentine, CASA

Steve Schuck, Acenda

Donna Groom, CMC DHS

Anna Cannella, Coastal Prep

John Roy, Cape Atlantic INK (CMO)

Chris DeSantis, Probation

Josh Mercado, No Limits Academy

Joe Faldetta, Cape Assist

Bernadette Myers, Family Court

Hillary Brown, Youth Shelter

Jen Hirsch, DCCP

Pat Devaney, CMC DHS

Marylou McAdams Corson, Prosecutor's Office

Maria Hadley, JJC

Eric Shenkus, Public Defender's Office

Gary Hrynoveski, Light House Church

Peter Belasco, County A/D Director

Jim Hetherington, Jersey Cape

Jamie Moscony, County Technical Schools

Adrienne Breitinger, Superintendent of Schools Office

Lisa Harczak, Cape Assist

Rob Schober, Family Support Organization

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Sharon Modzelewski, YSC Coordinator

Additions and Corrections to Minutes – P. Devaney

Minutes from the August 16, 2022 YSC meeting were provided with the meeting notice via email. Marylou McAdams Corson motioned to accept the minutes. Joe Faldetta seconded. Motion carried.

Coordinator Report

Activity will be reported on under Old and New Business.

JJC Representative Report – M. Hadley

\*Currently working on the Plan Updates and Applications. JJC anticipates that several applications will have the additional S/C Partnership funds in an unallocated status, and therefore, will require budget modifications to utilize the funds.

JDAI Update – No Report

Program Updates

*Intensive Supervision (ISP):* Steve Schuck reported four youth are in program (all males, 2 biracial and 2 white).

*Station House Adjustment:* Joe Faldetta reported that 64 youth completed the program thus far. Referrals have slowed and the agency will promote the program to law enforcement and schools.

*Pathways to Employment:* Jim Hetherington reported the program received 8 referrals and 3 enrollments this year. There was one successful work experience, and one work experience is pending.

*Family Court Advocate:* Rob Schober reported three referrals were recently received. Of the three, one family engaged, one declined service, and one was lost to contact. The agency is working with two families; one family is stable, and one family has ongoing challenges.

*Probation Enrichment, Incentive, and Orientation (POPs):* Joe Faldetta reported that the program is scheduling events for the Fall months. Events are dependent on schedules and meeting the youth where they are regarding interests, etc.

### Old Business

Program Review and Planning subcommittee met to discuss plans for the additional 2023 State/Community Partnership funds in the amount of \$34,204. The funding was unexpected by both JJC and YSC. The subcommittee decided that further information is needed to assess program options. The funding will be placed in an unallocated status until a recommendation is made. A suggestion was made to elicit ideas from the YSC members via email and members can utilize the 2021-23 Comprehensive Plan Vision document in their considerations.

### New Business

\*New Member: Marylou McAdams Corson motioned to approve Josh Mercado as business representative YSC member. John Roy seconded. Motion carried. No abstentions.

\*County Youth Services Plan Update: Documents of 2023 YSC Plan Update, CY 2023 Application, and 1/3 Set -Aside were distributed, and highlights were reviewed which included a report by the Monitoring Subcommittee Chairperson.

A motion to approve the 2023 YSC Plan Update was made by was made by Jennifer Valentine and seconded by Jamie Moscony. Motion Carried.

Bernadette Myers - yes; Chris Desantis – yes; Marylou McAdams Corson – yes; Erik Shenkus – yes; Jamie Moscony - yes; Donna Groome – yes; Hillary Brown – yes; Joe Landis – yes; Peter Belasco – yes; Josh Mercado – yes; Rob Schober – yes; John Roy – yes; Steve Schuck – abstain; Anna Cannella – abstain; Jennifer Valentine – yes; Gary Hrynoveski – yes; Joe Faldetta – abstain; Maria Hadley – abstain; Pat Devaney -yes

A motion to approve the CY 2023 Application for \$363,189 in SCP/FC funding was made by was made by John Roy and seconded by Bernadette Myers. Motion Carried.

Bernadette Myers - yes; Chris Desantis – yes; Marylou McAdams Corson – yes; Erik Shenkus – yes; Jamie Moscony - yes; Donna Groome – yes; Hillary Brown – yes; Joe Landis – yes; Peter Belasco – yes; Josh Mercado – yes; Rob Schober – yes; John Roy – yes; Steve Schuck – abstain; Anna Cannella – yes; Jennifer Valentine – yes; Gary Hrynoveski – yes; Joe Faldetta – abstain; Maria Hadley – abstain; Pat Devaney -yes

A motion to approve the 1/3 Set -Aside of \$10,700 was made by Marylou McAdams Corson and seconded by Joe Faldetta. Motion Carried.

Bernadette Myers - yes; Chris Desantis – yes; Marylou McAdams Corson – yes; Erik Shenkus – yes; Jamie Moscony - yes; Donna Groome – yes; Hillary Brown – yes; Joe Landis – yes; Peter Belasco – yes; Josh Mercado – yes; Rob Schober – yes; John Roy – yes; Steve Schuck – abstain; Anna Cannella – yes; Jennifer Valentine – yes; Gary Hrynoveski – yes; Joe Faldetta – yes; Maria Hadley – abstain; Pat Devaney -yes

\*Request for Proposals for the Youth Shelter will be issued this year as the current contract ends in 2022.

\*Request for Proposal was released on the County Portal for evidence-based prevention services for use on an as needed basis for the County Department of Human Services. Proposals due 9/28/22.

### Public Response:

Anna Cannella reported the Coastal Prep school year has begun with seven youth (6 male/1 female). One youth is out of county and the remaining students are county youth. New school policies and staff were introduced this year.

Adjournment: 3:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 9, 2022, at 3:00pm