

JFS Planning Committee
November 27, 2018 9-11 am
JFS Community Room

Present: Tom Andrews, Pastor Brian Brown, Jack Hile for Bert Cene, Lori Colian, Eileen Dray-Bardon, James Ford, Marcy Patton, Vicki Ritterspach, Roger Sikorszky, Stephen Vega, Anna Marie Vaughn, Cathy Webb, Luann Dunham, Rachel Ketterman

Meeting Called to Order/ Quorum Established

Tom welcomed members and called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

Steve presented a correction to the September meeting minutes they should read "Steve has experience at Salem Oxford House." Steve made a motion to approve the corrected September meeting minutes. James seconded. Motion carried.

Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Reports

OhioMeansJobs Report – Jack Hile presented the OMJ report for Bert. Traffic for the period 7/1/18 through 11/21/18 showed 5,611 visits for the Columbiana and Mahoning County locations combined. There were 5,512 visits for both locations during the same period last year.

Gloria is handling all information to the media regarding the Lordstown shutdown.

Jack was asked by the ESC to host a meeting with school superintendents and principals. 38 of the 48 members attended. He presented information on MCTA and CCMEP.

He also gave a 2-hour presentation to East Liverpool high school students in grade 12 who were in the Career Tech School Program. He is very excited to work with the schools and talk to the students.

On November 20th, they held a Rapid Response session for Kmart employees – only 12 attended, but they left information for them. They will be holding future sessions with Salineville Huntington Bank and Salem Chester Hoist employees.

Tomorrow, Jack has a meeting with the Ohioans with Disabilities group. Jack is representing Columbiana County to help coordinate job fairs for people with disabilities.

There is a Career Fair at East Liverpool High School on Thursday – it is open to all school districts. They have been doing outreach with KSU-East Liverpool campus.

Jack reported that MCTA is going through Phase 2 of its recertification process and just finished the third round of interviews.

CCDJFS TANF Program Reports – Luann gave the TANF program reports. It is very difficult to get any reliable statistics with the new system, so she was unable to give any OWF Work Participation; SNAP; Medicaid; and Child Care reports. She reviewed applications approved and denied and the timeliness report; NET; PRC; and APS referrals and investigations.

Pastor Brian suggested that a directory of services and contact numbers would be very helpful for churches to have. He receives many inquiries but is unsure of where to refer people. The Lisbon Ministerial Association (LMA) will be meeting on Wednesday, January 16th, at the Lisbon Nazarene Church, and he asked if Community Action (Tom), OMJ (Jack), and CCDJFS (Megan Cowden, PRC supervisor) could perhaps attend to give pastors information and guidelines. Tom and Jack will talk with Pastor Brian after the meeting to work out details. Jack offered to have the LMA visit the OMJ offices for their February meeting.

Annual Contract Monitoring Report – Rachel reviewed the annual TANF contract monitoring report. The last round of contract monitoring for the year was completed in September. She reviewed numbers of participants. The Counseling Center's Project SAFE program had 50 participants; Juvenile Court's Diversion program served 88 new minors in grades K-12; Columbiana County Board of DD provided respite services for 17 children; the Health Department's Cribs for Kids program distributed 152 cribs through September; Ozer Ministries offered domestic violence supportive and outreach services to 41 adults and 68 children; Community Action Agency's TANF and OWF Job Commute programs provided transportation to and from work and school. All contractors met or exceeded their projected outcomes for the year.

Old Business

2019 Summer Activity Brainstorming – Eileen reviewed last year's summer project which provided summer activity/educational items to 584 East Liverpool and Wellsville kids. She presented 5 proposed summer activities for 2019 (**see attached email) and asked members to rank them (give their top 3 choices) and give suggestions on implementing them. Last year, CCDJFS spent about \$80,000 on the summer program and released about \$300,000 in TANF money back to the State. Members spent some time thinking about their choices and wrote down their first 3 choices with suggestions and input on how to implement the programs. **CCDJFS Public Assistance management will meet to discuss members' input and decide which program or programs to proceed with. Preliminary planning will begin before the end of the year.**

New Business

New Membership Terms – 6 members whose terms will expire December 31, 2018 were asked to stay on the committee for another 3-year term. All 6 agreed (Tom, Bert (per Jack), Lori, James, Marcy, and Eileen). Steve will replace Eloise for FRC. **Eileen will take the reappointments and Steve's replacement appointment to Commissioners hopefully before the end of the year. Once they are appointed, Terry will send them an appointment letter with a copy of the Commissioners Resolution. Eileen will be reaching**

out to another Chamber of Commerce Director to fill the vacancy left by Audrey Null.

Nominating Committee – Current officers are Tom – Chair; James – vice-Chair; and Eileen – Secretary. James agreed to move up to the Chair position for 2019. **Tom will contact members to recruit a new vice-Chair before the next meeting.**

2019 Meeting Schedule – The meeting schedule for 2019 was distributed.

Member Comments

- Roger reported that Bobbie Castor has been hired as the Counseling Center’s new Prevention-Education Youth Coordinator. Their Head Start consultation services contract has expanded to cover Jefferson County. They are looking for a part-time staff member to cover this expansion – he asked members to please email him if they know of anyone who may be interested. They are providing Triple P discussion groups and seminars for parents with children who are at risk for abuse or neglect through the OCTF Triple P Grant. The first discussion group will be held on Monday, December 3rd, from 11 am-1 pm at the Counseling Center. They also received an OCTF grant for the Strengthening Families/Parent Café program. Their first café event will be with East Liverpool Head Start parents on November 30th. Shari Morrison has been hired as their new Intensive Family Services therapist, and Christy Cox has resumed direct oversight/supervision due to Melissa Brak becoming Director of Adult CPST. They will be bringing pediatric psychiatry to Salem – beginning on November 30th for one day a week, Dr. Chris Kalinyak, Nurse Practitioner, will be available to see youth who need to see a prescriber. They will be expanding adult psychiatry soon, bringing Nurse Practitioner Linda Boyle to Salem on Fridays.
- Vicki reported that the Way Station is 3 weeks into the class portion of the Pathways to Independence Program.
- Steve reminded members that Eloise’s retirement party would be Friday, November 30, from 3-6 pm at the Salem Golf Club. The Crestview Local School District held its “Rebel Run” 5K Race and 2-Mile Fun Walk at Crestview High School on Saturday, November 17th. Proceeds benefited the 4Cs (Crestview Community Churches Concern) and the Crestview Track Team. The event was organized and managed by the Crestview Rebels Embracing Wellness Health Team and the Crestview Track Team.
- Marcy reported that the SOR (State Opioid Response) group is a federal initiative started back in October, but there has been no guidance from the State. Their 12-county region will receive \$2.5 million for the treatment of opioid addiction. They are working to determine the needs and wants of each county. By the time they receive guidance and the 8-week time-period to submit proposals, they will probably lose about 6 months before the program rolls out. They are supposed to receive a second year of funding also. They are not sure if the \$2.5 million is in addition to their CURES Opiate Program money or if it is replacing the CURES money. If it is replacing it, they will end up with less money. Marcy asked members to let her know if they had any ideas or proposals. The MHRS Board Community Plan is due in June – the State is not very

organized and is offering very little guidance.

There was no further business to discuss. Pastor Brian made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Roger seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.

The next JFS Planning Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 9 am in the JFS Community Room.