



## **Youth Advisory Board (Adult Providers)**

### **Go To Meeting Minutes**

**11am October 30, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 11:02AM

Committee Members Present: Meika Burnikel, Erika Villacrez, Katelyn Voorhees, Tiffany Howard, Kristina Bechtel, Shannon Smith, Amanda Bratz, Amber Kaio (YAC), Cheryl Detrick

Unexcused: Tanya Nelson

Excused: Lisa Haen

1. Welcome new members!
2. Youth Meeting Schedule
  - a. 3 meetings held so far: Green Bay, Superior, and LaCrosse
  - b. Discussed having the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting in the Southern portion of the state but decided 4<sup>th</sup> meeting will occur in LaCrosse in December with the YAC Committee
  - c. Kristina is partnering with Amber, an Independent Living worker, to access more youth for the YAB meetings
  - d. Kristina stated that the previous YAB meeting in LaCrosse went well, and provided positive feedback about the "How To Guide" for YAB meetings.
3. Mural
  - a. Meika has been in communication with Beau Thomas from Green Bay about doing a mural
  - b. Beau facebook messaged that it could cost approximately \$3000.00 and is unable to donate time/supplies but if we could come up with the funds he is willing to possibly work with us.
  - c. No other suggestions about other mural artists
  - d. Mural would need to represent the Balance of State as a whole not just the community it will be painted in
4. Match Forms
  - a. Submit match forms to Meika as soon as possible
  - b. Email Meika if copy of form is needed
5. List of all runaway and homeless youth programs in the BOS

- a. List of runaway and homeless youth programs does not currently exist but will be beneficial when writing for the Youth Demonstration Grant and other functions in the future.
  - b. Cheryl volunteered to have Newcap create the list; Cheryl will connect with Meika about specific information to be captured on the program list
6. Youth Project
- a. Discussion was had about the photo contest from this summer being cancelled due to no submissions
  - b. Suggestions for future projects:
    - i. Participants write a story/poem/quote/saying about their experience
    - ii. Participants submit a drawing of what they envision a mural on youth homelessness to look like
    - iii. Participants submit any form of artwork with no theme (better to leave open ended)
  - c. Meika will send out Survey Monkey to vote and decide on the next project-the hope is to use the above contest winners work for notecards for the BOS and youth serving agencies in the BOS
7. Youth Demonstration Grant
- a. Discussion of Carries feedback from the last round
  - b. YAB will be a part of writing for the grant this time
  - c. Youth Demonstration Grant and HUD are focused on a coordinated community approach to end youth homelessness
  - d. This year's grant could be different from past grants, however it will likely be very similar and we can use Carrie's feedback to prepare for this year's grant.
  - e. There was discussion about agencies on this YAB committee applying for the Youth Demonstration Grant and other agencies on this committee supporting the grant.
8. Homeless Youth Assessment.
- a. Review sample assessments that Meika had sent out in a previous email
    - i. <http://philadelphiaofficeofhomelesservices.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/philadelphia-youth-homelessness-needs-assessment-april-2018.pdf>
    - ii. <http://www.cfgnh.org/UnderstandingOurRegion/ViewArticle/tabid/161/ArticleId/251/New-Haven-Homelessness-Needs-Assessment.aspx>
    - iii. [https://www.timeoutyouth.org/ckfinder/userfiles/files/TOY\\_NEEDS\\_ASSESS\\_FINAL\\_SMALL.pdf](https://www.timeoutyouth.org/ckfinder/userfiles/files/TOY_NEEDS_ASSESS_FINAL_SMALL.pdf)
  - b. Needs assessment for youth in the Balance of State will be essential for the Youth Demonstration Grant and for the future of youth services
  - c. Meika will schedule a meeting for November to discuss creating a needs assessment and the timeline
  - d. Newcap recently did a community needs assessment for the counties that Newcap serves. Cheryl will share results with the committee so that YAB can reference it when

creating the youth assessment. This assessment however was not specific to youth but could be helpful in the creation of this assessment.

9. Calendar for 2020 and meetings

- a. Committee discussed providers meetings for next year
- b. Required to have a minimum of 6 provider meetings per year
- c. 11:00AM on Fridays was decided on, and Meika will send out a schedule

10. Calendar for 2020 Youth meetings

- a. Required to have a minimum of 4 youth meetings per year
- b. Committee brainstormed locations for youth meetings in 2020
  - i. Newcap agreed to host a youth YAB meeting in Marinette
  - ii. Shannon is open to hosting a youth YAB meeting in Langlade but wants to discuss further with Meika and Kristina
  - iii. Other suggested areas for youth meetings: Waukesha, Eau Claire, Stevens Point/Wausau area, and the Fox Cities

11. No other business

12. Erika motioned to adjourn the meeting. Katelyn seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:57AM.

