



## Youth Engagement and Serving Organization (YESO) Committee Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2017

9:00 am to 10:30 am

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, Easter Seals  
22317 Dupont Blvd., Georgetown, DE 19947

Mission: The YESO Committee exists to positively impact and promote healthy outcomes for children/families through collaboration with key health community partners that empowers families to live healthy lifestyles.

### 9:00 am Meeting Call to Order and Introductions

**Attendees:** Cheryl Doucette, Mallory Stratton, Lindsay Hughes, Shannon Drejka, Brad Spicer, Peggy Geisler, Sara Shultz, Marcus Pratts, Jeshonda Dennis, Regina Sidney-Brown, Tasha Mullens, Shannon Drejka, Krystyn Niski, Edy Morales, Blanca Sandoval, Jaime Snyder, Melondy Bush, Mary Stratton-Bay, Patti Burke, Arlene Torres, Mallory Stratton,

### Review Meeting Minutes from last meeting by committee Chair.

Motion to Accept Minutes made by Patti Burke, Krystyn Niski seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as presented.

### Action Items from today's meeting:

- Peggy will reach out to Cynthia Pritchett to invite her to speak from (what the correct name) Delaware Philosophic Organization.
- Connect Carrie Avalos from La Esperanza to SCHC connect for Georgetown Middle School.
- Create a subcommittee for a Hispanic or a focus group around the barrier
- Del Tech Interim or volunteers that can help.
- Follow up with Linda Roger (Brad Spicer)
- Invite Catherine Lindroth to speak at Octobers to discuss the outcomes of Tyler Camp in Sussex County and moving forward what this looks like for next summer.
- Send out Reginia's Handout for Afterschool Alliance information from last month. (have her mail to Crystal)
- Fall training around Social Media (Tap network & U of D)
- Tasha Mullens will provide a report about IMPACT and its expansion

### GUEST SPEAKER: Sarah Shultz and Kerri Avalos, La Esperanza

- La Esperanza has been around for around 22 years.  
Services that are provided currently are as followed
  - ✓ BIA Certification
  - ✓ Youth Program – Core After School Program- The vision of this program is to grow this program Currently they only meet Wednesday for Substance Abuse Preventions. They are meeting with funders and other organization that will be collaborating on how to create this full-time afterschool drop in youth program. Age group would be 13-18 as a focus.

- When they collaborated with Tyler Camp it gave the instructors some awareness of why children do not attend programs
  - Needs to get buy in for parents – Culture differences.... Why they don't feel their children needs afterschool programs
  - Transportation is a barrier
  - Latino children are used for child care in the summer for their siblings
  - Children do not usually experience things such as water parks, ordering food, things that we take for granted
  - Family pressure of working because it is the sole purpose of coming to this country
  - La Esperanza needs to help connecting with Georgetown Middle School.
- ✓ SCHC needs data and demographic information from the Latino families
- ✓ Girls Inc. Georgetown Middle school is current running a Latino youth program

#### Upcoming Events -

- Cheryl Doucette shared about the Meeting the Funder event last night at SCHC with Christine Cannon from the Arshat Cannon Fund. We had 21 people that came out to hear the funder speak about the services and funds that

#### Old Business/Updates:

- Botvin Training- Anyone who was trained needs to get SCHC some data.
  - ✓ Wrap around Delaware and High Roads of Delaware is going to be doing their first training is Oct 5<sup>th</sup> coping with anger.
  - ✓ If you have a program with children that needs to be trained reach out to Lindsay Hughes at U of D Coop Ext and she will find you a trainer to come speak.
  - ✓ Have Marcus from boys and girls club reach out to other boys and girls clubs in the area to see if there is any interest for this training.
  - ✓ La Esperanza is starting 3 classes of the Botvin, they have the pre-and post-test of Botvin. Sara will share with SCHC and Lindsay. Lighthouse Christian School and Dagsboro Boys and Girls club in Feb and La Esperanza Preventions program.

#### New Business:

- ✓ SCHC is looking for any partnerships that have come out of the YESO committee meeting. Any data that can be provided for us.
- ✓ SCHC is doing a targeted focus group in the Seaford area targeted around the Opioid Addiction tonight Wednesday 9/13/17 and at the Western Sussex Boys and Girls Club on 9/15/17 with youth. We are trying to understand what this landscape looks like and how do we get collaborations and communication happening in the community.

#### Partner Updates/Announcements:

- Flu Shoots are
- Wrap around Delaware is partnering with Jefferson's Awards to get the art kits out to more children
- Big Brothers Big Sisters could meet the needs to provide backpacks to all children completely stocked to over 30 children. All was generated on social media.
- Free Flu Shots at the Hispanic Festival 11:00 am to 4:00 pm provided by Delaware Health and Social

Services and Division of Public Health.

- Jefferson Awards – Art Services (Mallory will send)
- Jefferson Awards is targeting middle schools currently.
- IMPACT is starting back up on the Western Sussex area, they started in Georgetown club at the Salvation army. They will be a central elementary and Seaford.
- Regina at Delaware Afterschool Alliance program afterschoolalliance.org had a tool kit that gives ideas around activates and how to invite people to advocate.
- U of D 4 H program /Conference in Rehoboth Beach, forms were shared. There is also a link on the website as well.
- Patti Burke 6<sup>th</sup> annual anti bulling conference is Oct 28<sup>th</sup> at Poly tech Highschool. They bring in programing. The state provides busses etc. Patti will provide more information that will be shared.

Upcoming Speakers:

- Oct- Catherine Lindroth
- Nov- Pflag
- Mallory at Jefferson Awards

Closing and next meeting date for YESO committee: October 11, 2017  
Quarterly Meeting: October 19th - Next Quarterly Meeting (Education)