

Hanover Township Community Education Support Task Force
MINUTES of the MEETING
December 4, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Task Force Chair Alisa “Lee” Beattie at 4:36 p.m.

Roll Call: Task Force Chair Beattie, Kristen Cruthers, Bill Wright, Dr. Elizabeth Ma, Joe Markowski, Jeff Janda, Lauren Manu, Josie Gama. Also, present James Barr, Township Administrator, Tina Houdek, Director of Youth and Family Services, Natalie Pamphile, Assistant Director of Clinical Services, Ryan Dickinson, Prevention Services Manager, Hailey Matich, Assistant to the Administrator, and Muhammad Yahya, Graduate Management Intern.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Bill Wright, seconded by Mr. Joe Markowski. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Presentation on the Department of Youth and Family Services Clinical Division Services: Director of Youth and Family Services Houdek gave a brief presentation of Hanover Township’s Department of Youth and Family Services, including the department’s mission statement and organizational structure. She then introduced Assistant Director of Clinical Services Pamphile to present on the department's clinical services. Assistant Director of Clinical Services Pamphile reviewed the outpatient therapy program available to any Township resident with a child aged 0 to 19 years living in the home. She also explained the school based clinical programs that are offered by the Township and administered to students at school. Finally, Assistant Director of Clinical Services Pamphile reviewed pre and post intervention data collected on the clinical services and answered questions from the Task Force members.

Presentation on the Department of Youth and Family Services Outreach and Prevention Division Services: Following the presentation on the Department of Youth and Family Services Clinical Division, Prevention Services Manager Dickinson presented on the department’s Outreach and Prevention Division. She reviewed all the different programs offered, including the Alternate Supports Program (ASP), Open Gym, Tutoring, and Substance Abuse and Prevention. She reviewed the department’s partnership with Streamwood Park District which enables the division to offer several free team sport leagues throughout the year. Additionally, Prevention Services Manager Dickinson presented on the Izaak Walton Youth Center, where the division is located, and its offerings, including a dedicated Teen Center and several built-in outdoor activity equipment. Prevention Services Manager Dickinson answered several questions from the Task Force members.

Discussion of Future Task Force Meeting Presentations: The Task Force discussed the upcoming presentations agreeing to hear from Hanover Township’s Department of Human Services and Office of

Community Health. Task Force members also expressed interest in hearing presentations from agencies outside of the Township and discussed different possibilities.

Set Date and Time of Next Task Force Meeting: The Task Force agreed to set the next meeting for January 8, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Meetings then will be scheduled for the first Monday of each month.

Other Business: None

Adjournment: Mr. Wright moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Janda seconded the motion. Motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hailey Matich
Task Force Secretary