



North York Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (NY-HSJCC)

Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2019

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Metro North Court Library, 1000 Finch Avenue West

Present: Tammy Tinney (Co-chair), NYGH; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Riun Shandler, Judiciary; Dina Zalkind, Duty Counsel; Wayne Willis, CHIRS; Rose Gan, NYGH, Christi Patterson, Probation and Parole; Chantal Huard, Probation and Parole

Regrets: Arthur Stratton (Co-chair), Probation and Parole, Black Creek Office; Mary Murphy (Co-chair) Defense Counsel; Sheine Mankovsky, Judiciary; Alison Mastenbroek, Toronto Bail Program; Scott Skinner, Toronto Network of Specialized Care; Andrew Graham, Cota; Laura Van Harmelen, CMHA Toronto; Anna Stanford, Crown Attorney's Office

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves. Christi Patterson and Chantal Huard were welcomed to the committee.

Review of September 12 2019 minutes

Minutes of September 12 were approved with the following amendment: Legal Aid, if one does not qualify they can only provide information.

Review Action Items:

Reviewed and completed.

Presentation: Deferred to next meeting

Co-chair position

Arthur Stratton informed the Co-chairs that he will step down from his Co-chair position when we have a replacement. Dina Zalkind expressed interest in the position. Due to the low number of attendants at this meeting, it will be discussed and/or voted at the following meeting.

Lunch and Learns

Domenica reported that she approached the Provincial HSJCC Secretariat to find out if they can provide a platform for the NY-HSJCC Lunch and Learn webinars; OCASI is no longer able to provide their service. Update will be provided at the next meeting.

Domenica reported on the learning from the Domestic Sex Trafficking Lunch and Learn session, it was brought to our attention that participants need to be careful when people with lived experience are presenting.

Next Lunch and Learn suggested topics are: Dementia and Autism.

Legal Aid Changes:

A discussion about the legal aid changes occurred. Concerns were raised that clients are falling through the cracks and more people are pleading guilty. Domenica is working with HSJCC members on surveying members for input. Suggested survey question- Have you seen an increase in bench warrants?

Agency/Organization Updates

- Tammy Tinney reported that NYG Brandson site will be moving at the end of February to 2 Champlain Drive.
- Domenica circulated information on the Police Access Safe Bed (PAS) Program and Notice of Temporary Change to the North York Safe Bed Location.

Service Co-ordination Issues

None

Updates from the T-HSJCC and P-HSJCC

Domenica reported on the Provincial conference that took place on November 4-6th, 2019. 451 people attended the conference. Participants indicated that they would like to know more about collaboration.

Presenter for the next meeting: Domenica Dileo will follow up with inviting the Justice Centres and the Toronto Safety Well Being Plan.

Actions:

- Domenica will contact the Justice Centres and the Toronto Safety Well Being Plan for next meeting presentation.
- Domenica will send a thank you letter to Arthur Stratton.

Next Meeting: January 9, 2020 from 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Metro North Court Library, 1000 Finch Avenue, West.