

**INTERAGENCY COLLABORATION  
COUNTY TEAM MEETING  
Hosted By  
William Hecht, District Superintendent/CEO  
Orange-Ulster BOCES  
Fire Training Center  
9 Training Center Lane  
New Hampton, NY 10958  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Friday – April 7, 2017**

**In Attendance:**

Thomas Bongiovi, Robert Conflitti, Mary Dumas, Ruben Estrada, Tiffany Gagliano, William Hecht, Rachel Wilson, Tom Bolzan, Tammy Rhein, Youth & Government Students (Sidney, Asia, Hunter, Michael, Libby, Misael).

***Review and approval of minutes from the January 13, 2017 meeting***

A motion was made by Robert Conflitti seconded by Thomas Bongiovi to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

**1. EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS**

Bill H. – Opened the meeting by welcoming the students from Youth & Government. Each student introduced themselves and provided the school they represented.

Bill H. – Commented on the Memorandum of Understanding that was signed between BOCES and the County.

Tom B. – Spoke of the TASC Program and that it is still going strong. Spoke of the Lack of State Budget and its effect on the schools budgets being adopted. He spoke of the overwhelming Heroin Epidemic in the County.

Y&G Students – Spoke on their perspectives on Education Success.

- Why are students not graduating? (Thomas B., Robert, Tammy & Tiffany responded)
- Why are parents not receiving the information and what can be done to see that they receive it?

**2. SOCIAL/MEDICAL/PSYCHOLOGICAL**

Ruben E. – Shared what Health Equity is and how it affects your health (Demographics & Zip Code). Provided an overview on the 1<sup>st</sup> Health Equity Conference.

**3. COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Tom B. & Tammy R. – Provided information about Mental Health and how their programs help in the communities.

Tom B. – Shared what the Lean Project (Lean Six Sigma) was.

Tiffany G. – Explained how all departments work on a project within the County and how it impacts those departments.

Robert C. – Explained how every department in the County is working together on the Heroin Epidemic.

Bill H. - Explained the collaboration of County Team.

Robert C. – Spoke of the School Superintendent’s Summit and its purpose related to upcoming events (Proms, Graduation). Spoke of the Social Host Law.

Ruben E. – Spoke of the Tobacco 21 Law.

Rachel W. – Shared the collaboration of the Youth Bureau & OUBOCES with Library Services (The library can assist students/parents with FAFSA).

#### **4. FAMILY and YOUTH FOCUS**

Rachel W. – Spoke of what Youth & Government Day is all about. Since 2014 over 200 awards have been given out to youths and adults. Examples: The Spirit of Success Award is given to students with medical issues who continue to succeed. Another is for adults who go above & beyond. She spoke of the Youth & Government Internships that are provided to students by the County.

#### **5. WELCOME ORANGE**

Tom B. – Shared what Welcome Orange is and how it's a single door for help.

Tammy R. – Shared what Welcome Orange does around the County.

#### **6. ECONOMIC SECURITY**

Bill H. – Shared no State Budget yet, first time in at least 10 years.

#### **7. JUVENILE JUSTICE**

Tiffany G. – Explained the ongoing issue about raising the age and its effects on the youth.

#### **8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING**

#### **9. OTHER**

The students spoke of their final thoughts on attending the County Team meeting and thanked everyone for listening and providing feedback.

#### **10. UP COMING EVENTS:**

See email sent behalf of Angela Turk.

- Don't FORGET Website Access – [www.ouboces.org](http://www.ouboces.org). Click on Links; click on Orange County Interagency Collaboration Team for updates.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

**“The Orange County Interagency Collaboration Team is a forum for family representatives, program leaders, and policy level administrators from local schools, courts, and government to work together, maintains communication and linkages, and promotes a creative, effective and efficient community services system which supports children and their families.”**

**Next Meeting**

**May 12, 2017**

**Hosted By**

**Frank Sheboy, Superintendent of Schools**

**Highland Falls/Fort Montgomery CSD**

**James O'Neill High School**

**21 Morgan Road**

**Highland Falls, NY 10928**