

**INTERAGENCY COLLABORATION
COUNTY TEAM MEETING
Hosted by
William Hecht, District Superintendent/CEO
Orange-Ulster BOCES
Administration Conference Room
53 Gibson Road
Goshen, NY 10924
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Friday – September 8, 2017**

In Attendance:

Robert Conflitti, Inaudy Esposito, Ruben Estrada, Tiffany Gagliano, Kathy Gill, William Hecht, Elizabeth Holbrook, Darcie Miller, Terry Reynolds, Kerri Stroka, Angela Turk, Tiffany Niles.

- ***Review and approval of minutes from the May 12, 2017 meeting***

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

1. COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Ruben E. – Share flyer for Fiesta Latino, September 16th.

Darcie M. – September is Suicide prevention Month and Recovery Month

Shared flyer for Out of Darkness Community Walk, September 17th and ADAC 5K Run/Walk for Recovery, September 23rd.

Angela T. – Shared the focus of the Suicide Committee will be on middle-aged men. Developing posters that reflect people getting help and support.

Darcie M. – Shared Orange County Department of Mental Health, Chemical Dependency Services brochure, Onward Recovery brochure a newly funded recovery center in Newburgh, and the Orange County's Addiction Treatment Process Improvement Event, October 16-20th.

Ruben E. – Shared that the "Real Men Wear Pink" Walk for Breast Cancer will be held October 15th.

Bob C. – Shared that nine High Schools will be participating in the Uncommon Athlete this fall.

Tiffany G. – County-Wide Forums on Opioid Epidemic, tentatively scheduled for October 3, Monroe-Woodbury HS and October 19th, Minisink Valley HS

2. FAMILY and YOUTH FOCUS

Kathy G. – Will bring information on Voices United 4 Change to next meeting.

Angela T. – Voices United 4 Change will be partnering with Bravehearts to bring to our County. The mission of the Bravehearts is to empower young adults touched by the Child Welfare System to become active and authentic leaders in their own lives as they transition into adulthood. More information to follow.

Tiffany G. – County Attorney's Office will be holding presentations again this year for Parents and Adult Community members on sexting. Discuss ensued on what is occurring in communities and schools.

Tiffany N. – Youth Bureau will be kicking off their Adopt a Family for the holidays soon. They will be holding Positive Youth Development Training and Youth Mental Health Training in October.

3. WELCOME ORANGE

Darcie M. – Reviewed the purpose and goal of Welcome Orange for the group. Shared that a meeting scheduled in Fishkill to discuss expanding the concept of Welcome Orange across all seven counties in the Mid-Hudson Valley region. Orange County will have 25–30 seats. If anyone is interested please let her know.

4. ECONOMIC SECURITY

Darcie M. – Shared some of the successes in economic security that have occurred in Orange County over the past year.

5. JUVENILE JUSTICE

Tiffany G. – Holding committee meetings to be prepared for the changes that will occur as a result of *Raise the Age*. Want to be proactive until guidance comes down from the state.

6. EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS

Bill H. – Share that our Adult Education Program moved into the County owned Maple Building and what a great partnership it is with the County. This location will provide learning opportunities in the Newburgh community for many year to come.

Kerri S. – Discussed the growth in the Special Education Division and the changing needs of our students. Discussion ensued about the needs of students when they are placed in a BOCES program.

Darcie M. – Shared the changes regarding transportation under ESSA for students in the foster care program. The Department of Social Services and local school districts must come up with a plan/contract to ensure transportation for foster care students once the school of location is determined. Discussion ensued about the process and the importance of making decision based on the “best interests of the child”.

7. SOCIAL/MEDICAL/PSYCHOLOGICAL

Ruben E. – Department of Health received a \$580,000 grant for Newburgh to promote and provide information on the State Department of Health’s insurance programs.

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH’S MEETING

9. OTHER

10. UP COMING EVENTS:

- Don’t FORGET Website Access – 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
October 6, 2017
Hosted By
Darcie Miller
Commissioner**

**Orange County Department of Social Services & Mental Health
OCDMH – Melville Conference Room
30 Harriman Drive
Goshen, NY 10924**