

Minutes of the Human Services Board of Director's meeting of March 13, 2013.

1. Roll Call

Present: Kitty Nelson, Alan Chapin, Gary Johnson, MaryLou Kecko, Donna Nunno and Sue Stango.

Absent: Diane Candido, Rev. Deutzmann and Paul Geer.

Also Present: Lisa Diamond-Graham, Melissa Dubiel, Alderman Bob Nunno and Erica and Rolando Bento.

Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Minutes

A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Nunno to accept the minutes of the February meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Staff Report

Human Services had 60 Case Management intakes and 88 Energy Assistance appointments. The total clients in the household for these were 149 and 196 respectively.

Human Service staff attended and participated in the Social Service Network, Long Term Recovery Task Force, Salvation Army/United Way and Hurricane Sandy requests, Outreach and Referrals, Energy Assistance appointments, Salvation Army meeting, St. Ann's Health Fair, Kids Count Board meeting, CRide, Hurricane Sandy Dinner, Case Manager Training and the Connect to Care Fair for the homeless.

Youth Services had 390 clients in treatment and 752 clients participating in prevention based services. These consist of Rent A Kid, Superflex, Family Fun Night, Fresh Beats, the Spartacus Program and the Diversion Program. Youth Services staff attended and participated in the Southern CT University Internship Fair, MDT, Youth Services Network, New Haven Youth Services Programs meeting, Fairfield University's accreditation site visit meeting, Clifford Beer's meeting, Diversion Program, Social Services Network and the Single Parent Program set up meetings.

The Mayor came to the building last week to tour the building and meet with staff. He stated that given the challenges of the storm and the times, that services of both the outreach and clinical side were vital to our community. Lisa reported on all of the aforementioned programs. He then met with one of Mindy's Internship Supervision groups and spoke with the Therapists about all of the services they are providing to the community. 6 or 7 interns met with the Mayor.

Lisa will be conducting employee evaluations in the next couple of weeks.

A flyer was distributed for the 2nd Annual Spring Together Family Day on 4/6/13 at The Boys and Girls Club from 10am to 1pm.

Sean Macauley started and is becoming acclimated to both sides of the agency. He is seeing therapy clients, observing outreach and doing an occasional energy appointment.

4. Committee Reports

None.

5. Fiscal Report

The financial report was reviewed and the Camp Happiness donation was discussed. Funds for the relocation program were reviewed. People (tenants) were housed in hotels during the storms and Human Services is in the process of trying to collect from landlords (\$21,000.00 was used in assistance). There has been 100% success in collecting in past years; however assistance has not been to this magnitude. A discussion followed on the hardship to collect. A motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Chapin to approve the financial report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Streit

MaryLou Kecko,
Recording Secretary