

Arlington Community Services Board – Children and Youth Committee

May 6, 2013

Committee Present: Shauna Alonge (on phone), Janine Finnell, Betsy Greer, Linda Staheli, Marguerite Tomasek, Naomi Verdugo

Staff: Tom Wallace (minutes)

1. Call to order: meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Naomi Verdugo.
 2. CSB structure: Betsy Greer, Naomi Verdugo, and Tom Wallace discussed the functions of Community Services Boards in Virginia and how CSB services are organized in Arlington under the Department of Human Services. Tom Wallace will locate an organizational chart and share it with the group.
 3. Monthly statistics: Tom Wallace circulated the monthly statistics. Several numbers were up this month, including those seen in emergency services and by the court liaison. Tom Wallace shared some anecdotal information about the emergency services clients, several of whom were already known to the CSB, and others who were from other jurisdictions. Fredy Martinez, court liaison, will attend a future meeting to talk about the clients he sees and what may account for the ebb and flow of clients.
 4. Detention-center services follow up: Krystal Kimree, executive director of the Northern Virginia Juvenile Detention Home, had provided written responses to the committee's questions that arose during and after the tour in February. Further discussion of these responses was held during this meeting, and an additional question arose: How many days are detained youth allowed to be in confinement? Ms. Kimree provided this answer after the meeting: "We have a 72-hour limit for a major charge violation. Anything longer than that requires a plan of action to be sent to our Certification Audit Analyst. She will then call and discuss the plan of action with us. This may happen when we have a serious assault on staff and we press charges with the Alexandria Police Department. It is very rare for this to happen and no youth may spend more than five days in confinement."
- Tom Wallace shared that the memorandum of understanding between DHS and the juvenile-detention home is up for renewal this year. It is attached to these minutes for review and comment by the committee.
5. School collaboration update: Tom Wallace announced that the first meeting of the reconstituted DHS-APS Mental Health Task Force is taking place on May 8. It is expected that, as with the previous incarnation of the group, community members (including members of this committee) will be participating in meetings of the task force.
 6. Action Plan update: Tom Wallace circulated the latest iteration of the action plan. The committee agreed that it is time to concentrate on where we are now and what we need to do to keep us moving—in other words, updating the "actions and implementation steps" column

rather than the “status” column. A copy will be shared with the group to be marked up with suggestions, edits and additions, and the updates will be reviewed at the next meeting.

7. Psychiatric Rehabilitation Journal special issue on young adults: Tom Wallace circulated the table of contents of the journal to discuss potential articles of interest. One article, dealing with wraparound services, is attached to these minutes. Further articles will be shared and/or the journal will be circulated among committee members.

8. Agenda planning: agendas for upcoming meetings were discussed. The updated draft calendar is attached to these minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, June 3, at 4:00 p.m., in room A on the lower level of the Stambaugh Building, 2100 Washington Boulevard.