



COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT TEAM

Minutes

September 17, 2021

Next Meeting: October 15, 2021

ZOOM 9-10:30

***Vision:** We envision an integrated Franklin Community that fosters the overall health and wellbeing of youth and families.*

***Mission:** Our mission is to increase accessibility to local supports and resources that nurture healthy reliant youth, families and schools in the Franklin Community through collaborative partnerships.*

Participants: Note the hyperlinks that should get you directly to the participants' email. Please let me know if yours is incorrect.

[Jule Finley](#), Curriculum Coordinator SAU 18

[Kandyce Tucker](#), Franklin Mayor's Drug Task Force

[Carol Stone](#), Lakes Region Community Services Community Collaborations Coordinator

[Eva Thurston](#), Early Head Start, Home Based Services Coordinator- Franklin, Laconia

[Carisa Corrow](#), Educating for Good, Portrait of a Franklin Graduate Facilitator

[Kristen McGraw](#), UpReach Therapeutic Equestrian Center

Rebecca Kennedy, Merrimack Valley School District

Sara Skoglund, Governor Wentworth

[Taylor St. Jacques](#), FHS Intervention Counselor

[Krystal Alpers](#), Franklin Parks and Rec

Linda Sheff, Winnisquam Regional High School Counselor

[Kimbly Wade](#), Partnership for Public Health

[Tara Nelson](#), Riverbend Community Mental Health Center- Franklin

[Kristen Forge](#), Health First

[Nicole Clark](#), Health First

Not present today

[Kathryn Conway](#), UpReach Therapeutic Equestrian Center

[Heather Garcia](#), Lead School Psychologist/ Project Aware Grant Manager, Hillsborough

[Ashley Douthart](#), Health First

[Deanna LaFrazia](#), Center Manager for Franklin Family Resource Center and Tilton
[Mike Foss](#), Chief, Franklin Fire Department
[Craig Houston](#), Merrimack County Human Services- Community Prevention Coordinator
[Steve Swanson](#), Lakes Region Community Services Community Collaborations Coordinator
[Dan Legallo](#), Franklin Superintendent
[Lynn Haskell](#), Merrimack City Juvenile Services
[Councilor Jay Chandler](#), Franklin City Council
[Brian Bernard](#), Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of NH
[Sarah P.](#), CCCNH- Crisis Center of Central NH
[Kelsey Heinemann](#), Family Support- Merrimack County
[Ken Darsney](#), FMS Principal
[Kayla Robbins](#), DCYF Concord
[Karen Kersting](#), UpReach
Stephen Jordan, [Innate Therapeutic Services](#)
[Robin Djurta](#), [GTAFCR](#)
[Melissa Lee](#), UNH Cooperative Extension
[Alexis Mango](#), FHS sophomore student
[Jennifer Campbell](#), New School Counselor at FMS
[Jamie Bryant](#), new SAPC for Franklin School District
[Jillian Burns](#), Merrimack County Advocacy Center
[Scott Burns](#), Pemi Youth Center Franklin, School Board
[Megan Kelliher](#), PSS School Counselor
[Sandy Alonzo](#), NAMI NH
[Anya Twarog](#), Head Start
[Tina Poirier](#), DCYF Concord DO Resource
[Susan Blair](#), Principal Paul Smith School
Tom Anderson, My Turn, Job Developer (275-0203): has left position as of April 2021
[Tim Dow](#), Chairperson Franklin School Board
[Oriana Filiault](#), FMS Intervention Counselor

SCHOOL UPDATES:

School Functioning Updates and Priorities:

- Doing a showing with various local organizations: ***Tre Maison Dason October 5 at Smitty's adults in one room, two theaters for kids who can sit and watch... panel discussion facilitated by Laura Knoy...including impacted youth***

- FHS: Down a guidance counselor at high school but new one starting at end of October, FMS is down one counselor and one on leave. We should be fully staffed by November.
- Observing that pandemic has affected an uptick of mental health referrals and DCYF referrals.
- Had a few Covid cases across FSD, masking-up when there is a case in class at PSS or FMS, High School everyone masks up if there is a case IF 3 feet cannot be maintained. We will let folks know when they arrive if masks are required.
- A lot of professional work with teachers over the summer focused on alignment of curriculum through the grade levels and developing better understanding of competency based learning.
- Provider Room: FSD has a provider room if you need a space to meet with students. Check in with Tracy Tucker the school administrative assistant

Grants Updates:

- **Promising Futures Grant:** RE application required, will find out at the start of October... will be about \$50,000 for staff PD and Wellness Activities and Family Outreach
- Portrait of the Graduate... awarded \$250,000 from Barr Foundation to bring the Portrait into Practice
- STOP Grant
 - We have our allocation of money now!
 - Bolstering Behavioral Intervention Teams
 - Core Team training in November
 - Trying to build some redundancy on the team

Partner Updates, Announcements, Needs

Kristen McGraw: Up Reach

- travels to property in Boscawen on Monday/Wednesday until October 22. Serving kids PCC 3:30-4:30 to spend time with the horses. Taking ponies up to Nursing Home... PCC is bringing a senior group to the barn in the early afternoon on Wednesdays... Fun at the Farm group on Wednesday afternoons... 8-14 years old, hour long session with life skills... four slots available...

- Resilience Range (psycho-education curriculum facilitated by Kristen and a social worker, different topics each week...communication, perspective, self-worth, do activities with ponies and reinforce those skills, parents attend Care Cafe with a facilitator... parents discuss and then join their kids with the ponies, family activity and then celebration. They run Resilience Range in Goffstown all year round so when Boscawen ends, you can still get to attend... There are no geographic restrictions.
- Long Term Goal: Permanent Property at the Boscawen Property, but need to show programming and need to get more folks involved and some story telling
- There are participants from Franklin... we can provide services in Merrimack County free of charge because of funding

Tara Nelson: Riverbend

Peter Davies started with RiverBend. Had an intern started last week on Tuesdays and Wednesdays so more kids can come in with services. They've been down 2 clinicians since March and a third is going out on leave. Always trying to cut down the wait list. Vaccine clinic happening at Riverbend on September 29, 2021.

Kandyce Tucker

New grant in collaboration with Rec Dept. to support Mentoring Program in Franklin.

- 16 week program with an outdoor rec component
- looking for mentors and student
- focusing on the Opioid Crisis and some mental health training.

Red Ribbon week is October 25-29

- Trying to do some more community events
- red tulips will be planted around town, then in the spring you'll get a plaque to keep conversation going
- Downtown businesses getting involved; if kids take drug free pledge they can get discount
- Leadership Team is going to wrap city hall in Red Ribbon to bring awareness to Red Ribbon Week

Franklin Fall Fest "Get Out and Play" 10-2, October 23

Halloween Extravaganza, Trunk or Treating, Soup Fest a fundraiser for the Mayor's Drug Task Force, Vendor Fair and Craft Fair **FLYERS ATTACHED TO EMAIL**

Eva Thurston: Head Start/ Early Head Start:

Head Start has started up for the year; September 23 the last group will start up.

It's very hard to offer services if we don't have staff.

Looking for Home Visitors. Pre-natal women support them through their pregnancy.

Early head start home based program, people receive a weekly home visit and classroom time.

Supporting parent as child's first teacher. We connect them to community, cook together and

provide them with other services. Kids are coming in with parents in the hallway, that is nice.

Upcoming Event: Come Join Our Team; September 30 from 6-7:30.

FLYERS ATTACHED

Carol Stone- Lakes Region Community Service:

Strengthening Families Grant is trying to get all the school districts in our area Alton, Gilford,

Gilmanton and Newfound School area.. Just got another grant to support Early Childhood

Transition from early childhood to public schools

Kimbly Wade: Partnership for Public Health:

Partnership for Public Health will be having its annual meeting next week.

Better Futures Together flyer coming. **FLYERS ATTACHED**

NH Suicide Prevention Conference Planning will be virtual this year.

First day has CEUs and the second day has a plenary speaker and on-demand workshop. Link to sign up is coming soon. NH Kid governor is coming to present.

Becky Kennedy: Merrimack Valley School District SOC

Trying to Connect to Different Community Groups in Concord

Linda Scheff: Desperately in need of teachers at Winnisquam

As discussed at our July 2021 meeting, we will be publishing these minutes to the SAU 18/OSW website in about one week. Please let Barb know if there are any corrections that need to be made.