

West Haven Local System of Care
November 15, 2017
Minutes

Attendance: Bob Morton, Theresa Andriulli, Debra Rich, Sharon Rodriguez, Viola Waldo, Bill Okwuosa, Justin Laptise, Pamela Lorenzo, Alison Tyliczszak, Maria Falconer, Troy Zane, Christine Hauser, Allyson Nadeau, Carol James, Christopher Griffin, Kari Cifaielli, Ana Reyes, Luz Ramos, Doreen Flanigan

Regrets: Stacey Higgins

Guest Speakers:

Christine Hauser, Wakeman Hall – Substance Abuse Outpatient and Intensive Outpatient program, males and females ages 12-17 in the Greater New Haven area, for information on the program contact Christine Hauser at 203-248-2116, ext 341.

Bill Okwuosa, My Father My Son Counseling and Youth Mentor Center, provides: Therapeutic support, supervised visitation, youth mentoring, drug abuse and mental health assessment and counseling, etc. For information contact their office at 203-747-8689, fax 203-745-0493 or visit their website: www.mfmscounseling.com

Parent Support Group Report

November – WHPD, Officer Jefferson, meeting held at the WHPD – “Connecting Cops with Kids” – 6:30 to 8:30 – over 52 people attended the event. 20 police officers, swat, patrol and detectives plus animal control were present. The children saw and played with the police gear and pictures were taken. The officers were given a book about special needs children. The children and parents were given a tour of the police dept. Parents were given out a form call a SNIF form (Special Needs Information Form) for information and a picture of their child to fill out to hand to an officer responding to any problem they may have with their child.

December – Holiday Fiesta Party

December 6th – group will hold a parent night event – bath salt craft

February 12th – Assisted Technologies

Children With Special Needs Program Report

Oct - Halloween Dance – 10/26 – 41 people attended

Nov 18th – horse drawn wagon ride – 49 people have registered, we are hoping that rain will hold off.

Dec - Holiday Fiesta Party - 12/18/17

January – Movie – dates and times to be set

February – Bingo - dates and times to be set

March - Launch Trampoline - dates and times to be set

April – Spring Dance - dates and times to be set

Autism Family Support Group Report :

November – group is asking people to donate items to be given to veteran’s (tooth brush, small packages of tissues, bars of soap, combs, small samples of shampoo) items can be dropped off to Bob at City Hall

December – Holiday Fiesta party

Spanish Support Group Report

November meeting – 11/29/2017

December – Holiday Fiesta Party

Spanish group may celebrate “Three Kings Day”

Adolescent Support Group Report

October 20th – Play “How To Be A Good Witch”

November 21st – Movie – “Justice League”

December 19th – Holiday Party – Greek Olive

Old – New Business

Fundraisers:

Bingomania fundraiser - \$308.00 (thanks, Debra, Viola and Theresa, the three witches of WHINC)

Five Below – \$30.54 – thanks Theresa

Soup & Salad fundraiser lunch at City Hall – scheduled for January 17, 2018. More information to follow

8 support group families have volunteered to help the Parks & Rec program stuff Easter eggs on March 14th for the Easter egg hunt.

Next staff meeting for Planning Group – December 13, 2017, 8:30, City Hall

Motion to Adjourn: Doreen

Second : Viola

Meeting adjourned at 1:30

Respectfully Submitted

Theresa Andriulli

Secretary