YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION JUVENILE REVIEW BOARD EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT

Minutes

Monday, April 22nd, 2024

Location: Sears House (79 North Main St, East Granby)

1. Call to Order- A quarterly meeting of the Juvenile Review Board was held Monday, April 22nd, 2024, at the Sears House. Chairman Bonnie Jones called the meeting to order at 5:05pm. Members present were Amanda Cormier, Elise Cosker, Art Reardon, Sara Kleinman, Josette Lumbruno, Joanna Taczanowsky, Ofc. Scott Menard

2. Correspondence- none

3. Approval of Minutes - Motion was made by Art Reardon and seconded by Josette Lumbruno to approve minutes from 1/22/24 as submitted. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

- a. Family friendly pamphlet discussion on the importance of having a guide to inform parents of the existence of the JRB, to clarify what the board does, limitations, etc. Plan to use S. Windsor pamphlet as a guide and modify. Bonnie Jones will send a link to shared drive so members can review documents and provide feedback and she will take suggestions to create a pamphlet for the fall. Art Reardon also suggested keeping an ongoing list of services the board can recommend would be helpful, it can be housed on the shared drive and everyone can contribute.
- b. New paperwork Art Reardon revamped a script to ensure all case meetings use the same language, go over the same information, and ask the same questions. Any addition/changes from members should be relayed to Art.
- 5. New Business
 - a. Number of referrals Discussion on number of cases seen in the past and those seen this year thus far: 6 have gone through the process, 1

was a repeat, 1 upcoming and 1 possible repeat (repeat indicating same individual/same issue) shows the continued relevance and need for the JRB. Ofc. Scott Menard indicated the guidance from the courts is that felony charges, those involving acts or threats of violence, and weapons violations will be taken by the court but to anticipate all other cases coming to JRB. Truancy referrals may start to come more readily, we may see repeat offenders (especially for things like vaping, as seen elsewhere). Having school staff members present is very helpful to ensure JRB consequences make sense with school consequences.

- b. New laws/Policies No new guidance, continuation that the courts will transfer to JRB anything that fits under its umbrella.
- c. Other Art Reardon/Bonnie Jones brought up adhering more closely to Robert's Rules of Order, suggestion was made to verify there are term limits indicated for JRB members.
- 8. Adjournment: 5:38 pm adjournment.

Next Meeting:

Board members will receive a new schedule for reserved meetings in the fall, quarterly meetings are anticipated to be scheduled for September, November/December, January/February, April.