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Healthcare Advisory Committee

Date: 6/2/2016
Time: 2:00 p.m.

I. Attendees
Ailyne Geneta, Chair, Wanaque Center for Nursing & Rehab., Cynthia Miller Passaic County WIB, Tanya DaSilva New Jersey Health Professions Consortium, Kevin Goskowski William Paterson University, Ysis Baez Board of Social Services, Andrea Nemeth Berkeley College, Faith Kalbert Passaic County Community College, Heather Barksdale Passaic County Community College

II. Agenda Topics
Ailyne Geneta called the meeting to order at 2:43 p.m.
Welcome and Introductions.

Minutes
Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Survey Feedback/Discussion Healthcare Fair for 2017

Ailyne Geneta Wanaque Rehabilitation Nursing Center mention that in terms of the fair there is never a right time to host because each month there is always an issue because this year the Workforce Development Board of Passaic County provided transportation. The committee discussed the following reasons for the lack of participation by the schools which included:

- The fair was hosted on a Saturday many students have other obligations and the fair was early morning on a weekend
- The fair was hosted on the weekend of Mother’s Day
- The weather could also be a factor as well as the location

The committee discussed the fair logistics for next year 2017 based on the feedback of the survey. (See survey) The following was suggested:

- To host the fair at the One-Stop Career Center which is local and easy access for the students.
- To possibly host the fair on a week day instead of a Saturday.
- To get the counselors to buy into the fair by offering a workshop for the counselors (CEU) or offer credit to the students for attending which was facilitated by William Paterson University or provide Professional Development for the counselors.
• Faith Kallert will ask a Passaic County Community College Alumni who is employed at Mountainside Hospital come and speak to the students.
• Possibly get someone from Doctors without Border to talk about their experience.
• The committee to invite someone from the Military or ROTC that does the high level recruiting or ask John Harris, Daniel Pearson veterans and Catholic Charity to give us the name of the go to person. Faith Kallert noted that Robert Robitaille of Berkeley College would also be a good person to consult in reference to the veterans.
• To have someone talk about all the professions or a power point that would make students aware of the other professions in healthcare. Ailyne Geneta noted that she may have someone to create a video but the committee will have to come up with a strategy or plan on what to include or capture in the video.
• The committee could have a student panel that have been through our programs and talk about their experience.
• Possibly extend the program that would allow more time for the students to participate in multiple workshops and reduce the time for the keynote speaker, maybe stagger the workshops.
• Make the workshops more interactive for example Dress for Success could have a mannequin for the students to dress and then critique if it is Dress for Success or not.
• Committee agreed to host the fair in March with a snow date on a Saturday also try to get on the agenda for the superintendent meeting by September and prepare a proposal for that meeting. Cynthia Miller will talk to Linda Chavez. The committee can prepare a save the date or flyer which will stay the same to distribute to the schools so that the fair can be added to their calendar at the beginning of the school year.
• Committee could also send a survey to the guidance counselors to find out what workshop we can offer to benefit them.

Ailyne Geneta noted that out of the 25 surveys collected 16 scored (5) for outstanding and 9 scored (4) above average on the scale of 1-5 which leaves room for improvement.

**Job Fair 2016**

Ailyne Geneta noted that the job fair will be held in October and hosted at the One-Stop Career Center during a weekday possibly on the 3rd week from 10:00am-2:00pm inviting the programs that are funded through the One-Stop Career Center for CNA, EMT, PCT and Medical Coding including William Paterson, Passaic County Community College for the nurses and not just limit to Alaris and St. Joseph’s that was invited last year but include other outside agencies.
Ailyne Geneta noted that Walter Toombs will come up with the list of occupations and the names of the agencies that are hiring and send email to their Human Resource Department inviting them to the job fair.

Ailyne Geneta noted that Wanaque Center and Bloomingdale will be participating in the job Fair.

**Wrap-Up**

**Meeting Adjourned** 3:38 p.m.

**Next Meeting TBD**