

Village of Cottage Grove

Notice of Public Meeting

PEER COURT STEERING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

5:15 P.M.

Village Hall
221 E Cottage Grove Rd.

1. **Call to order**
2. **Determination of quorum and that the agenda was properly posted.**
3. **PUBLIC APPEARANCES- Public's opportunity to speak about any subject that is not a specific agenda item.**
4. **Discuss and consider approval of minutes of the July 16, 2019 meeting.**
5. **Report from Briarpatch Youth Services.**
6. **Future agenda items.**
7. **Set next meeting date and time.**
8. **Adjournment.**

Submitted by Kathleen Giese, Chair

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Peer Court Minutes

July 16, 2019

Present: Mark Hepfinger, Katie Giese, Cierra Grove, Jay Keifer, Jeff Lennberg & Officer Matt Wagner from the Cottage Grove Police Department,

5:15 start

properly posted

Minutes approved moved by Jeff Lennberg and Katie Giese seconded, approved 2-0

Report from Cierra Grove at Briarpatch

Introduced us to Samantha Clausen-ruppert from YWCA, community partner of Briarpatch

- They went to conference on restorative justice

- Retiring Peer Court model over time and there will be no panel of justice

 - youth still pivotal, but in a circle where they can talk about what happened and how they can create a safe space

 - less courtroom jargon to be used

 - ice breakers and strength finding activities

Mark Hepfinger questioned what is peer court going to look like then and that the Village may not like that

Jay Keifer stated this is why they are presenting this and wanting to introduce the "circle process". The process brings the young person into the why and how they can be part of the process to restorative justice.

- Get the youth going beyond the activity that brought them here, but getting to the core of why

Mark Hepfinger stated that the description sounds very vague

Jay replied data shows that the circle model is much more effective and successful

Samantha stated that it meets the same needs without an over power model but youth being more involved and finding the support to do so

- It's a model that takes away the stigmatism that comes from offending, but holds them accountable for listening and sharing

- Avoiding punitive and shameful

Jay stated that the circle model gets to the core of what's going on better and helps go deeper and provide more authentic opportunities for young people to see its more than their behavior. "It's a more involved model"

- more positive approach and holds youth more accountable

Katie asked would the kids be responsible for writing letters, fulfilling the agreements or apologizing.

- Cierra stated, yes there still would be an agreement, and it would be that each case is different and should be treated that way.

Samantha pointed out that YWCA and Madison Middle School has been doing the circle model for awhile and the whole family gets involved. Helps determine that the support for the kid goes beyond just the kids behavior but the root of what is going on.

- In line with youth development

Jay stated we could always go back to the model

Katie stated it sounds like a social work model

Jay offered to come to Village Board Meeting in August

Next meeting May 21, 2019 at 5:15pm

Adjourned 3-0 at 5:45pm

Cottage Grove Youth Peer Court Monthly Reports

January – August 2019

<u>M/F</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Agreement Activities</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Open/Closed</u>	<u>Outcome</u>
<u>JANUARY</u>						
M	16	Exceeding Speed Zones	*Future letter to self-10 yrs. Out *1 pg. research on speed zones *1 pg. apology letter and how to earn Parents trust back	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful
F	17	Speeding on City Hwy.	*1 pg. why speed zones are in place *Watch You Tube Video, 1 pg. reflection *10 short term/10 long term goals and why	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful
M	16	Exceeding Speed Zones	* 1 Jury Duty * 1 work team at Briarpatch * 1 pg. why speed zones are in place	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful
M	17	Violate GDL Restriction	*2 Jury Duty * 1 pg. what would you do differently In same situation *10 short term/10 long terms goals and Why?	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful

M	16 Possession of THC	*2x counseling at Briarpatch *Research being a band leader and how To get there *1 pg. research negative effects of THC	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful
M	17 Retail Theft	*Interview store manager and write 1 pg. reflection *1 pg. apology/appreciation to mom And family *1 pg. apology to victim	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful

FEBRUARY

M	16 Exceeding Speed Zone	*List different options to problem solve Than to speed *Research point system and 1 pg. reflect *Watch You Tube video on an accident Involved in speeding, 1 pg. reflection	04/24/2019	Closed	Successful
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MARCH

F	17 Exceeding Speed Zones Minor Poss. of Tobacco	*2 Jury Duty *Career Cru zing, 1 pg. reflection *Poster, taking responsibility on what is In your car *Research your car insurance	06/07/2019	Closed	Successful
F	17 Operating while Under Poss. of THC	*Power Presentation-Negative affects *Referral to Individual Therapy (2 times) *Attend Youth Service Day *Log between you and your parents	06/07/2019	Closed	Successful

F	18 Exceeding Speed Zones	*2 Jury Duty *Poster-Send a message about Speeding *What you could do with \$108.80	06/28/2019	Closed	Successful
M	17 Exceeding Speed Zone Drug Para.	*2 JD *1 pg. reflection/Negative effects of THC *1 pg. apology/appreciation to mom *Write a list of pros and cons of Florida, about School and living situation and tell your plan	07/19/2019	Closed	Successful

APRIL

M	14 Disorderly Conduct	*Research and write steps you need to take for Career goals *Write list of 5 individual you can go to for support	07/04/2019	Closed	Successful
M	13 Disorderly Conduct	*2 Jury Duty *Statement accepting responsibility for actions *1 pg. reflection and advice for others	07/04/2019	Closed	Successful
F	14 Underage drinking	*1 pg. apology/appreciation letter to mom *Research impacts of drinking alcohol on body And negative consequences *Apply to 3 jobs and show proof	07/31/2019	Closed	Unsuccessful
F	16 Underage Drinking	*2 Jury Duty *1 pg. reflection on impact of alcohol on body *List of 10 things to do with friends while sober	07/04/2019	Closed	Successful

F	15	Poss. of Drug Para. Poss. of THC	*1 pg. apology and how to earn trust back From parents *1 pg. research on negative effects of THC *1 work teams *List of 10 coping skills	07/25/2019	Closed	Successful
F	15	Poss. of THC Poss. of Drug Para.	*2 Jury Duty *A list of qualities that you want to see in a friend *Future letter to self-3 yrs. Out *1 pg. apology/appreciation letter to parents	07/25/2019	Closed	Successful
F	12	Disorderly Conduct	*List of coping skills when dealing with conflict *Write a letter about your mom and your feelings *Letter to Counselor-Thank You letter	07/25/2019	Closed	Unsuccessful
M	16	Fail/Stop at Stop Sign	*2 Jury Duty 1 pg. apology/appreciation letter to parents	07/04/2019	Closed	Successful
<u>MAY</u>						
M	15	Poss. of THC Poss. of Drug Para.	*2 Jury Duty *1 pg. negative effects of THC *List of 10 coping skills *Watch movie "The Hate you Give", write reflection *1 work team at Briarpatch	08/02/2019	Closed	Successful
F	16	Failure to Yield	* 2 Jury Duty *Poster re: distracted driving *Future letter to self 3 years out	8/23/2019	Closed	Successful

JUNE

F	14	Truancy	*Youth Training on 6/19 *Talk w/Briarpatch staff re: coping skills *Reflection via writing or conversation re: how truancy affects you and your family	9/6/2019	Closed	Successful
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JULY

M	18	Possession of THC	*Research 3-4 trade jobs, pro/con list for each *Research alternatives to using marijuana. Generate list of ones that would be helpful for you	10/25/2019	Open	
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M	18	Possession of THC Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	*Draft timeline/outline for race car driving career *Research 3 different apprenticeships in WI or WA and write which interests you and why *List reasons you want to stay clean and why *Write re: how situation has impacted you personally & relationship with parents	10/25/2019	Open	
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M	18	Exceeding Speed Zones	*Jury Duty *Write list of dangers of speeding & potential impacts	10/26/2019	Closed	Successful
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M	16	Drug Paraphernalia Exceeding Speed Zones	*Write reflection re: interaction w/police *10 short term/10 long term goals *Future letter to self – 3 years out *Research and write re: why speed zones are in place	9/25/2019	Closed	Successful
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AUGUST

M	16	Disorderly Conduct	*Research self-defense laws in WI *Research impact if 17, consequences of CCAP, etc.	11/1/2019	Open	
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M	16	Possession of Tobacco	*Research (-) effects of vaping/news articles 1 page reflection *Meet w/guidance counselor re: future career plans	11/29/2019	Open	
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M	14	Truancy	*Write down daily schedule w/specific times w/o phone *List 5 reasons it's important to go to school	11/29/2019	Open
M	16	Traffic: Following too Close	*Process situation w/YPC staff *5 things to do different in same situation	11/29/2019	Open

Summary for Cottage Grove for YTD 2019:

Cases Referred: 22 Male
 14 Female

Average Age: 16

Cases Open: 9

Please Note: Some youth have more than one citation.
 Each citation is counted as a case.

Volunteers – As of now we have 1 consistent youth volunteer,
 additional youth that participate via their agreement and 1 consistent adult
 volunteer.

<u>Referrals to all Youth Peer Courts in 2019:</u>		
	<u>Cases Referred</u>	<u>Cases Seen</u>
Allied Drive	11	3
Cottage Grove	44	38
Oregon	10	13
PPA	82	35
Rimrock	27	21
Sun Prairie	-	-
Trinity	6	2
Total for 2019 YTD	180	112

Additional Comments:

Peer Court is going well in Cottage Grove. We are still recruiting youth to be part of the process. Due to the amount of cases being referred to Peer Court, we have been running Peer Court the 1st. and 4th Thursday of the month. Once fully trained, Lee'Angelo Lane will be taking over as the primary facilitator in Cottage Grove.

****2 cases that were referred opt-outed of Peer Court****