July 17, 2017 FYSPRT Meeting

Comfort Agreement Read

Sign-in sheet passed around

Introductions (35 attendees present)

NAMI speaker - Lift Up Life Event introduction and passed out handouts

Discussed possibly holding a Suicide Prevention training

They will be holding an art contest open to people affected by suicide and will be displaying the art work around Vancouver through the fall.

Vancouver Rocks – hiding inspirational rocks around Vancouver starting asap.

Training being done at Heila High School for peer support

A showing of "Ordinary People" and discussion after hosted by NAMI – location to be announced

Youth Advocacy and Engagement Update

More advertising needs to be done in preparation for next meeting

Good first meeting, looking to improve with more youth in attendance next month.

State Update and Question about Respite discussed

Foster care parents earn hours per hours parented

Respite is used when the caregiver refuses to pick up the child and they go to a shelter.

There used to be one for people with Autism, but it has closed

Private foster care agencies have HUB homes to utilize as respite

Not enough people willing to take high-risk youth – qualification issues

Oak Grove/Oak Brooke/Oak Bridge – typical admittance occurs when police drop youth off.

Would like:

Proactive, before crisis respite

Options for kids with special needs (including behavioral issues)

Mediators for foster parents and guardians

Places where parents could pay to have kids watched for a night

Broke into small groups (youth, parents, and provider partners) and discussed three questions in regards to: what needs are being met when trying to access mental health crisis services or mental health coordination services in Clark County – what were the successes and the barriers.