

NCPAT Meeting – Minutes of April 29, 2023

Participating: Donovan Grant of NOVA, NCPAT Chair (Mecklenburg), Joe Marinello of NOVA (Mecklenburg), Don Taylor of NOVA (Mecklenburg), Saidah Sudan of Baitul Hemayah (Mecklenburg), Kelly Williams of Impact and Step up to Family Safety (Mecklenburg, Union, Gaston, Cleveland, Lincoln), Sunny Wilkins of U-Care (Sampson), Larry Blount of Alamance County DVIP (Alamance) and Isaac Jackson of Samuel Behavioral Center (Hoke)

- I. **Welcome and Introduction:** Donovan Grant, Chair welcomed everyone to the NCPAT meeting.
- II. **NC Council for Women /DV Commission Update:** No update.
- III. **DVOM Update:**
 1. Donovan combined updates from DVOM NCPAT subcommittee stating that NCPAT and DVOM have been working on updating the guidelines for state standards and are now combining efforts thus far. Donovan stated that this project is still in process.
- IV. **NCPAT Subcommittee:**
 1. Combined with DVOM update.
- V. **Treasurer Report:** Joe stated the balance is \$15, 496.51.
- VI. **Goals for NCPAT:**
 1. Donovan reported on attendance at recent meetings and stated that he went as far back as 2012 minutes and noticed that 10 or less people attended the regular quarterly meetings. Donovan noted that there 6 people in attendance at this meeting. Attendance is consistently good for the conferences 40-50 people on average.
 2. Donovan mentioned that it has been discussed that NCPAT could offer trainings at the quarterly meetings to encourage attendance. This was supported by those in attendance. Donovan stated that it was worth a try, but it has been done in the past and did not yield better attendance. Joe Marinello and Larry Blount also believed that it was a good idea to utilize local talent. had the website updated as well.
 3. Donovan shared that NCPAT did not break even from last conference in which NCPAT normally profits. Donovan stated that attendance this year was close, but not quite what it had been in the past, and that NOVA was unable to sponsor the conference this year as well. Joe Marinello stated that perhaps NCPAT should go back to using local talent. Donovan stated that the reason that NCPAT has been bringing in national speaker was to grow NCPAT, but also to feature innovators across the US in DVIP work that could showcase their modalities and curriculums. Larry Blount also believed that it was a good idea to utilize local talent.
 4. Donovan discussed coming up with a survey to send to out to present members to gain some insight into how NCPAT could encourage regular attendance at quarterly meetings, as well as ascertain feedback on benefits of membership outside of the annual conference. \
- VII. **Next Meeting:** January 26, 2024
- VIII. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned