NASW NYS Northeast Division Steering Committee Meeting

04/14/2021

Attendees:

Natalie Turner (Division Director)

Vanessa

Bonita

**Minutes**

* Have not met since February (02.19.21)
  + At last meeting, Sam Fletcher ED NASW NYS attended and discussed concerns related to social work profession, roles and responsibilities, how NASW NYS is working to improve concerns through different initiatives
* **Recap of Northeast Division Activities:** 
  + Hosted Northeast Networking Event – 03.16.21 – successful! Saw some new faces and even had a SW from Belize attend!
    - Plan is to have next quarterly networking meeting in June
  + Book Club – reading Evicted – also going very well; 2 out of 3 sessions completed so far and the discussion is going very well!
* **Division Director Announcement** 
  + Natalie will be going back to school this fall. She was accepted into a program in Seattle, WA and so after this summer she will no longer be able to serve as Northeast Division Director
  + Natalie will be sending a message to Shakira to discuss transition plan
* **Future Events** (because I’m not gone yet!)
  + In-person outdoor event – a “bring your own chair” and we socialize and chat in a park – Washington Park, park in Schenectady, Saratoga State Park and pick another place up North
  + In-person event in outdoor area of restaurant – appetizers at a place like City Line where there is large outdoor space
    - Use the event to recognize graduates – highlight the resilience of the students who worked incredibly hard to get through this academic year!
    - Also provides an opportunity for students to meet some current social workers
  + CEU event
    - If there are any topics you would like presented on or have any recommendations for speakers please email Natalie
    - Telehealth/Teletherapy – One year later; what are best practices, overcoming challenges; Would you use telehealth again to provide services? If yes, why? If no, why and what would you do differently?
      * Could also be Chapter Chat
      * Reach out to Private Practice Listserv?
* Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 18 5:30 – 6:30