

February 8th, 2018 Minutes
30 Valley Street, Asheville NC

Welcome and Introductions – Celeste Ordiway, JCPC Chair, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC). Celeste opened the meeting with welcome and introductions.

Attendees:

Members: Celeste Ordiway, Suzanne Avett, Jen Ramming, Jeanne McGowan, Natasha Adwaters, Cynthia Clark, Cindy Hamilton, Jan Shepard, Martin Moore, Melisa Enclade, Sylvia Clement, Shawntell Smart, Susan Dotson-Smith, Lili Lopez, Jasmine Beach-Ferrara

Coordinator and NCDPS Representative and Others: Melissa Moses (Coordinator), Massey Whiteside (Area Consultant)

Agencies: Kim Castano (Aspire Youth and Family/Kids at Work), Amy Hobson (Eckerd Kids/Caring for Children/Trinity Place), Karen Peerson (Buncombe Alternatives/Teen Court and Earn and Learn), Kelly Shusko and Cheryl Whitaker (Eliada/Temporary Foster Care, Tammy Deitz (Barium Springs Home Based Services for Juvenile Sex Offenders)

The minutes from the November board meeting were distributed via email, posted on the website and a hard copy was given to the board for review. There was a change made to minutes. On the second page the sentence “the Prime for Life will be taught by Melisa in the jail and JRC” will be removed. Cynthia motioned to accept the November board minutes, Jan seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Allocations Committee Update

Cynthia Barcklow

The deadline for programs to apply for funding was February 7th at 5pm. There were seven applicants and two programs that came to the training decided not to apply. All the currently funded agencies have, other than Eliada Home Temporary Foster Care, have reapplied. There are two new programs that have applied Academic Enhancement – Community Day Programming: Structured and Sparc Foundation - Love Notes.

The Allocations Committee Training will be held on Tuesday, February 13th 9-11am at 200 College Street in the main level conference rooms. Massey will also be providing SPEP Training for anyone on the board who has not yet had training. Committee members will be receiving the program applications at that time.

The Allocation Hearing is Wednesday, March 7th beginning at 8am with a short orientation and program presentations beginning at 8:30am followed by deliberations.

Program PEP Presentations

See the attached Program Enhancement Plans for each program.

Trinity Place – Jeanne motioned to accept Trinity’s PEP, Susan seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Eliada – Martin motioned to accept Eliada’s PEP, Jasmine seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Teen Court – Martin excused himself from voting having volunteered for Teen Court in the past. Suzanne motioned to accept Teen Courts PEP, Cindy seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Earn and Learn – Sylvia motioned to accept Earn and Learn’s PEP, Cynthia seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Kids at Work – Jan motioned to accept Kid’s at Work PEP, Jeanne seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Monitoring Update

Jen Ramming

Program Monitoring was completed in December. Please see the attached power point for a summary of each monitoring visit. All programs were recommended for continued funding without conditions other than Kid’s at Work. The monitors for Kids at Work requested that they put Buncombe County JCPC funds in a separate account.

Juvenile Court Services Update

Sylvia Clement

There has been a slight increase in truancy referrals.

There has been a slight increase in complaints from a PRTF. That situation is currently being reviewed.

It is projected that when Raise the Age is implemented that around 500 youths will come into the juvenile system. There are many preparations underway to prepare. There is an upcoming forum on April 19th for stakeholders. Sylvia/Melissa will send out the link as it becomes available to register. Jeanne noted that an Asheville City Schools representative should be in attendance.

There is currently one vacancy in the department. The open court counselor position has been offered and they are just waiting to hear back from the individual.

NCDPS/Division of Juvenile Justice Update

Massey Whiteside

Massey was unable to attend the board meeting due to a conflict of meetings. He provided the following updates via email in which Celeste presented to the group.

- 1) Attached is the past six months of FY 17-18 report on clients served by Funded Programs: Note the only statistic that is a little off is having served 39% of clients projected to serve for FY 17-18. The outcome should be more around 50% for the FY. Referrals to programs are down. 62% of youth served for half the FY are referrals from Juvenile Court Services. In my opinion, the percentage of referrals from juvenile court needs to be more in around 70% or above range to support serving the right population.
- 2) The Regional NCACAY Meeting on 03/23/2018 from 1-4 at first Baptist Church. Mr. Billy Lassiter will be there to speak on Programming for the older age group of youth; data to use in planning;

expansion funds for JCPC; and challenges and concerns. Seating is limited so you must register as soon as possible.

- 3) Effective 12/29/2017, Judge Ruben Young is the interim Deputy Secretary of the Division of Adult Correction & Juvenile Justice.

Open discussion

Celeste encouraged the board to visit the link below regarding racial equity.

<http://youthjusticenc.org/our-work/racial-equity-report-cards/>

No more discussion, meeting adjourned.