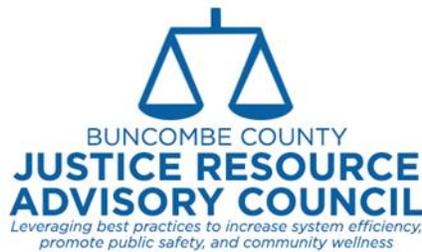


Minutes
February 5, 2021
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

- Welcome
- Dakisha (DK) Wesley open with roll call (see attachment)
- Request for motion to approve December minutes and February agenda Request for following items to be added to minutes:
 - Add strategic plan documents
 - And provide an attachment of the attendance list

Motion carried unanimously. December minutes will be added to JRAC website.

- Old Business
 - Strategic Committee Update
 - 2 out of 3 groups have meet to redefine what the initiatives and performance measures
 - The groups still need to solidify initiatives and draft strategic plan will be reviewed for April meetings to
 - This groups are:
 - Pre-arrest and Prevention
 - Collaboration and Community Engagement
 - Racial Equity and Resources
 - Discussion on a better way to establish the initiatives, what is expected of each group and the main objective of each meeting
 - A suggestion to build a Team's channel for JRAC. This channel will provide a space for members to retrieve information, make changes, and provide updated on what each group has accomplished. Tiffany will be providing this link to the council.
 - Robert Thomas wanted to know if we could make space in this group to discuss some of the Task Force recommendation in the Racial Equity within the Criminal Justice System. Since everyone in the committee is not familiar with this DK advised Thomas to provide further information to the entire Council and see if it can be added to the group that deals with Racial Equity.
 - Sheriff Quentin Miller wanted to suggest we advise all board members to please assign a backup representative when unable to be attend JRAC meetings, this way



the committee is in compliance with the by-laws and are able to vote on items at meeting.

- As of February 5, all meetings will be recorded and uploaded to the website to ensure compliance with open meeting law.
- New Business
 - Tiffany provided a presentation and update on the Crisis Response and Behavioral Health
 - Amy Upham provided a presentation and update on the Justice and Health Collaborative
 - Taylor Jones provided a presentation on Imagining Real Community CHANGE
 - DK updated the Council that conversations are being held regarding creating a CHANGE Team, and that one of the items that Taylor Jones spoke on which was referred to as phase one is actually happening right now in the community it is the Paramedicine Program, this team is already on the ground and doing great work.
 - Donald Reuss provided a presentation on First Responder Rapid Response
- Announcements
 - State is going through Medicaid transformation, new health plans will be added to the system; and new Medicaid enrollments process will begin, all Medicaid beneficiaries will have to choose a health plan and if they do not choose one, they will be added to one without their vote. The State will create a County play book to help provide educational material to use, share and communicate to have a consistent system. Pisgah Legal will provide assistance in navigating these applications.
 - The Jail Re-entry Community team, funded by a Dogwood Grant is up and running, they will provide assistance to those leaving Jail or Prison aimed at preventing recidivism.
 - The Justice Services Department released an RFP for Community and Safety Initiative to reduce Gun Violence and increase Community Safety, some of the partners assisting with this will be SPARCS, My Daddy thought me that, Umoja and the Racial Justice Coalition.
 - The second part of this RFP is for the Community Planning to reduce Gun Violence and Community Safety will be bid out and are looking for facilitators to help move this process..
- DK asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Julia Horrocks moved, Robert Thomas second
- Adjourned

Next meeting: April 2, 2021 at 12:30 pm, Zoom Link.

Executive Committee will advise on date.



Membership List

Name	Title	Organization	
Jasmine Beach-Ferrara	Commissioner	Buncombe County Board of Commissioner	
DK Wesley	Assistant County Manager	Buncombe County Manager's Office	P
Sheriff Quentin Miller	Sheriff	Buncombe County Sheriff's Office	P
Pat Freeman	Identification Director	Buncombe County Bureau of Identification	P
Sylvia Clement	Chief Court Counselor	NC 28 th Judicial District Juvenile Justice	
Danny Cowan	Magistrate	NC 28 th Judicial Magistrates Office	
The Hon. Alan Thornburg	Superior Court Judge	NC 28 th Judicial District Superior Court	
The Hon. Todd Williams	District Attorney	NC 28 th Prosecutorial District	
VACANT	District Court Judge	NC 28 th Judicial District Court	
VACANT	Court Clerk		
Sam Snead	Chief Public Defender	NC 28 th Judicial District	P
Niconda Garcia	Pre-Trial Program Manager	Buncombe County Pretrial Services	P
Donald Reuss	Director Provider	Vaya Health	P
David Zack	Chief APD	Asheville Police Department	
Thomas Amburgey	Private Attorney	Defense Bar Association	P
Julia Horrocks	Private Attorney	Coordinated Community Response DV/SA	P
Suzanne Avett	HHS Attorney	Buncombe County HHS	P
Rachael Nygaard	Director	Buncombe County Strategic Partnership	P
Debra Campbell	City Manager	City of Asheville	
Esther Manheimer	Mayor of Asheville	City of Asheville	P
Lori Anderson	Probation	Probation/Parole	P
Joseph Hackett	Community Representative	Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church	
Robert Thomas	Community Representative	Racial Justice Coalition	P