

Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 28, 2020  
Judicial Center Training Room

Attendees: Greg Smith, Jen Christie, Hope Cooper, Judge Delia York, Gail Finney, Don Hymer, Megan Milner, Melody Pappan, Derrick Ploutz, Katrina Pollet, Janet Waugh, Jeff Zmuda, Shanelle Dupree, Amy Raymond, Judge Paula Hofaker, Pat Pettey

Criminal Justice Institute: Jennifer Christie  
Committee Support: Nancy Burghart

Motion to approve minutes: Motion made, 2nded, approved

Don Hymer presented on recommendations of the Judicial Council. The council has been examining the issue of crossover youth in Kansas and the possible impact of juvenile justice system reforms on the child welfare system. Data capacity to determine the number of crossover youth in Kansas is limited.

The Judicial Council has representation from DCF, OJA, CASA, foster care agencies and more. Their report provided recommendations on potential amendments to statutory language, including changes to case length limits, probation limits, administration of the KDAI, emergency holds in detention for runaway youth, and more.

Judge York expressed concern that the JJOC has yet to view data from the involved agencies on the efficacy of reform efforts. Amy Raymond explained that OJA will be able to readily provide data once Odyssey is live. Until then, they must collect data separately from all 105 counties and then aggregate the data. KDOC's IIP database is scheduled to go live on April 1, 2020, so we will be able to pull that data more easily.

Judge York inquired on the status of the data sharing MOU. To this date, it has not yet been signed. Secretary Zmuda asked what needs to happen and who needs to be in the room to get this signed. Amy explained we are trying to finalize the MOU, along with what data elements need to be shared between agencies.

KDOC will provide KDOC-specific data updates by July 1.

Hope Cooper provided a summary of the recommendations from the Legislative Post Audit on SB367. Motion was made to provide a written response to the LPA audit; motion carried. Jen will draft a starting document and the JJOC can then edit and approve, to be published with the LPA.

The committee discussed legislative updates. HB2505 regarding expanding detention for probation violations did not advance out of committee.

Executive Reorganization Order 44 - Both House & Senate drafted resolutions to oppose the ERO. They haven't passed the full chamber. This must be done by March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Statutory Compliance - the committee reviewed the K.S.A. 75-52,161 which outlines the duties and responsibilities of the JJOC. The committee has never outlined performance measures for OJA, DCF, KDOC. Is this something we need to work on?

In the past we have also discussed having time for public comment sections. The benefit of doing this would be to hear directly from those who are receiving reinvestment dollars to implement programs and services.

Shanelle Dupree stated we need a more concerted effort to show the public what is happening with the reinvestment dollars. Stakeholders do not understand what the JJOC does or where the money is going. People believe there is just \$40 million sitting out there in a fund. KDOC will work on an infographic to present to the JJOC that highlights the work of the JJOC and how the funds are being spent.

Megan Milner provided an update on the Crossover Youth Practice Model. Shawnee and Montgomery Counties will be the pilot sites. The state policy team is meeting monthly to continue implementation.

Jen Christie stated we will need to start thinking about compilation of the JJOC annual report. Amy Raymond suggested we establish a subgroup, responsible for the bulk of the writing and editing of the report. The report would then be presented to the full group to approve. Members were in agreement with this idea

Jen Christie will send out a doodle poll for the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm.