

Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

Minutes

Date and Time: 10am-1pm CST

Location: Virtual only - Zoom

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1. Call to order (Chair)
 - KOMA Statement read by Chair
2. Roll-call (Chair)
 - **Committee Members in Attendance:** Shanelle Dupree, Delia York, Hope Cooper, Pat Pettey, Kate Davis, Amy Raymond, Gail Finney, Donald Hymer, Paula Hofaker, Stephanie Springer, Jeanette Owens, Melody Pappan, Mary Snipes
Criminal Justice Institute: Tessa Upin
3. Public Comment (Chair)

Consent Agenda:

4. Approval of meeting minutes

Information Agenda:

5. Chair/Vice Chair Report-out, statewide mental health symposium (**Chair, Shanelle Dupree**)
 - The Chair reminded the committee of the change in structure of the meetings that was voted on
 - The Chair presented to the Statewide Mental Health Symposium on 9/30/21 discussing previously approved JJOC testimony and a new program from DCF
6. Community program presentation (**Progeny Youth Leaders**)
 - Mike Fonkert, Kansas Appleseed, introduced Progeny, a community advocacy group, and encouraged the JJOC to engage more often with groups like this.
 - Recommended advocacy for restoration of the \$21 million for the Evidence Based Fund.
 - Future focus is eliminating impact of fines and fees. Requesting feedback on draft bill when sent out. Will be speaking to the appropriate committees in session.
 - Tyler Williams, Nykia Gatson, Kristen Powell, Jasmine presented for Progeny
 - Presented 5-year SB367 Anniversary Report and “Blueprint for Juvenile Justice System”
 - Requested representation on JJOC

- Questions from Progeny about term limits
 - Questions from Progeny about funding priorities
 - <https://www.doc.ks.gov/juvenile-services/committee/reinvestment-subcommittee/jjoc-approved-allocation-plan-fy-22-23/view>
 - Questions about the funding process
 - Brief explanation of funding options given by Deputy Secretary Cooper
 - Discussion about following statutorily defined membership and adding an ex officio member for a youth from Progeny
7. Governor's office update (**Kate Davis**)
- Governor announced an executive action for a Child Advocate's Office to include:
 - KanCare Ombudsman
 - Long-term Care Ombudsman
 - Child Advocate
 - Office will have authority to investigate and examine issues within the child welfare system broadly and make recommendations
 - Discussion regarding providing the Governor a letter of reasons to support reinstatement of \$21 million
8. Crossover youth report-out (**Ashley Brown**)
- Discussed several issues and solutions for youth and families affected by crossover youth issues.
9. Legislative update (**Pat Pettey**)
- Shared appreciation for the historical reminder of SB367. Pointed to Murl Reidl as a good resource from Legislative Research.
10. Reinvestment Subcommittee – updates (**Melody Pappan**)
- Identified the subcommittee members: Melody Pappan, Kate Davis, Fred Patton, Secretary Zmuda, Mike Fonkert, Senator McGinn, Jeff Butrick, Hope Cooper, Lara Blake-Bors
 - The subcommittee is responsible for ensuring the access to funds is clear, strengthening information sharing on how evidence-based funds are spent, facilitating discussions with potential new partners and providing guidelines for programs and services budgets
 - Submitted the proposal for funds that was voted on by this body. Focus on the programs approved but not yet implemented
 - Clarifying question about the ability for youth to complete the MAYSI due to reading level
 - Deputy Secretary Cooper assured the group that this can be done through interview or self-report

Action Agenda:

11. Subcommittee report-outs:
- Communications (**Don Hymer**)
 - Members: Don Hymer, Senator Pettey, Stephanie Springer, Mary Snipes, April Terry, James Johnson, Jeanette Owens, Shanelle Dupree
 - Goal is to improve communication on behalf of JJOC (members, public, legislature)
 - Writing of Annual Report

- Presented to the JJOC for approval
 - Moved by Don Hymer and seconded by Rep. Finney to accept report as amended
- Motion by Senator Pettey to make a public acknowledgement of Progeny Report did not pass due to discussion about the JJOC not being able to endorse as it is outside of the charge of JJOC
- Data – Performance measures list review and approval (**Judge York**)
 - Members: Judge York, Amy Raymond, Judge Hofaker, Max Mendoza, Rep. Finney, Janet Waugh, Ken Winter, Sean Christie
 - Requesting body to adopt a set of performance measures and continue to work towards collecting and reporting out.
 - Discussion in support of the performance measures
 - Moved by Hope Cooper to support and adopt the performance measures in a phased approach – Seconded by Melody Pappan. Motion passes.

12. 2022 Proposed Meeting Months: January, April, July and October

13. Recap action items

Next meeting date: January 2022

Adjourn