

Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

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Date and Time: April 22, 2022 from 10:00 am - Noon

Location: ZOOM Meeting

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Committee Members in Attendance:

Jeff Butrick, Hope Cooper, Kate Davis, Shanelle Dupree, Rep. Gail Finney, Paula Hofaker, Don Hymer, Max Mendoza, Jeanette Owens, Melody Pappan, Rep. Fred Patton, Amy Raymond, Mary Snipes, Steven Stonehouse, Ken Winter, Hon. Delia York, Jeffrey Zmuda

Committee Member Designees:

Crime and Justice Institute:

Tessa Upin
Leila Khelfaoui

Guest:

Chuck Knapp

KOMA statement was read. Shanelle Dupree called the meeting to order, the roll call was taken.

Public Comments: Chair Dupree opened the floor the opportunity of public comments. There were no public comments

Minutes from October Meeting: No amendments to the minutes were proposed. Kate Davis moved to approve the minutes, Max Mendoza 2nd the motion. The motion carries and January Minutes are approved.

Information Agenda:

Shanelle re-visited the importance of understanding of what is happening in the community and programs and utilizing the funds. Introduced Chuck Knapp, Jobs for American Graduates-Kansas (JAG-k) President and CEO.

- Knapp briefed the committee and presented on his organization. Spoke about the organization working with students to achieve their graduation and move into careers. Kate Davis asked Knapp to speak to the measures that JAG-K reports out. Knapp informed the committee that they report out on GPA, graduation rates, education/competency topics, attendance, and connectivity rate. Could also separate those that are justice involved. Stonehouse asked about statistics to tell if they became justice involved after leaving the program. Knapp responded that currently they do not have the ability to track that data but interested in partnering to be able to do that. Davis asked for clarification that if evidence-based practice (EBP) funds were provided, what would that go to. Knapp responded the intent is to expand to other areas of Kansas. Knapp took further questions regarding details of the program.

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The Governor's Office: Kate Davis

Kate Davis provided information on the Governor's office budget recommendations and legislators approved the Governor's budget. This includes restoration of funds of \$21 million that were lapsed during covid, the \$12 million regular allocation, and \$1.5 million to intervention funds managed by KDOC. Mentioned other corrections and social services related items passed in the budget.

Legislative Post Audit (LPA) Update: Shanelle Dupree

In January of 2020 the LPA issued a report evaluating the outcomes of SB 367 and identified challenges. It looked at JJOC responsibilities and implementation status, which was apart of our annual report. Dupree discussed a need to look back at JJOC implementation and review the status of varying objectives for implementation, a blameless retrospective. There were 9 tasks that were not fully implemented. Reviewed all objectives and gave status updates. Discussed challenges and work being done to overcome those challenges. Dupree informed the committee that there will be a regular review and discussion of progress towards the responsibilities. Also, include updates on progress in the 2022 Annual Report. Amy Raymond discussed the barrier of data with Office of Judicial Administration (OJA). Discussed challenges as OJA is moving the case management system, and that these updates will allow more opportunities for data sharing. Dupree asked what steps can be taken to move past the barriers. Raymond agreed to provide status on the update of the new system and statewide reports available. Raymond noted that the KDAI agreement is waiting on the OJA legal department, being reviewed for signatures. Hope Cooper provided input from KDOC, following up from the audit on SB 367 that occurred, and legislative post audit will be providing testimony on their findings. Cooper noted that the barriers from the full JJOC Post Audit are tied to data limitations. In addition, noted different ways of collecting information/data, and some complications in getting relevant data. Kate Davis discussed concerns about the JJOC having the capacity to be able to achieve the goals and objectives needed. Briefly touched on a position being created to assist the JJOC.

JJOC Chair Succession: Shanelle Dupree

Dupree reminded the committee that the chair's term will come to an end at the end of the current calendar year, 2022. Gave the opportunity to discussed how the election process occurs, and that the chair term will begin at the meeting after the elections. Election is to be held in July. Announced the opportunity to reach out to Dupree or Judge York if any questions or discussion is wanted.

Quarterly Review of Data (Data subcommittee): Hope Cooper, Amy Raymond, Judge Delia York

Cooper presented the KDOC dashboards (relevant to JJOC) for presenting quarterly data. Noted that not all dashboards are fully prepared at this time. Intent is to have the dashboards available on the KDOC website, and available for view by anyone in the public. Raymond presented on juvenile offender data from OJA. Noted that they are in transition with their case management system, so they are not able to compile all the data needed, but that will be available as their system is implemented statewide. Judge York questioned the differences between filings and adjudications. Raymond explained that initial filings may not go through the court process, possibly be dismissed. And the adjudications include multiple offenses within one criminal complaint. Raymond will follow up to ensure that the numbers are accurate.

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Judge York expressed the importance of the two major agencies (KDOC and OJA) to participate in the meetings to help understand how the committee is moving forward. Clarified that there are 14 performance measures, with 7 in the first phase. The subcommittee discussed how to collect, understand, and report out on the data that is being published.

Cross Over Youth Report: Ashley Brown

Brown reported out on work being done with the Cross Over Youth Practice Model (CYPM). Prevention work group has been working on understanding and improving communication issues between systems and agencies, explored avenues to disseminate services and resources and develop a survey for parents or guardians, with youth that had contact with multiple system experience. Has been adapted in Shawnee Co and will be in other counties soon. Creating a tool kit with information on juvenile offenders and CINC cases. Identifying cross over cases and case planning. Got feedback from OJA, KDOC, and Department of Children and Families (DCF), and now being edited by George Town University, and will then be presented more broadly. MOA's have been completed for agencies for data collection. Shawnee and Montgomery are pilot counties in implementation of CYPM. There are in depth conversations about the different paths a youth takes through the criminal justice systems. In Shawnee County, KVC and Juvenile Intake are working on a draft for an MOA for information sharing. In Montgomery County, their team is focused on cross system trainings on educating on how agencies impact justice involved youth. Sedgwick Co is working on the CYPM, though not a pilot county, is working on similar tasks for implementation. Dupree asked about the progression, Brown replied that they had barriers with Covid and state policy teams, but overall, its moving forward.

Re-Investment: Shenelle Dupree, Melody Pappan

Dupree informed the group that there is communication with the Opioid Response Network (ORN) in the use of the Evidence Based Funds Program and JDOC open positions. A meeting was held in February to identify locations and where the ORN would have the most impact. This comes at a no cost to the state or JJOC.

Pappan briefed the work done by the reinvestment committee. The committee reviewed the work plan to discuss the responsibilities of the subcommittee. The discussion was to highlight those programs. KDOC provided an update on the evidence-based program funds and the search for the JJOC Coordinator position.

Cooper provided an update on the implementation objectives. A contract with CJI was extended for technical assistance, to include the KDAI validation. KDOC did post the vacancy of the JJOC Coordinator position, but will not post the administrative assistance position, but to wait until the coordinator position is filled, and the coordinator will work to hire that position. Conducted 6 interviews for the position. The next process is to discuss with the chair and JJOC about position expectations. Regarding the family engagement and family guide, parent engagement; an RFP has been drafted, and with the KDOC fiscal department to be published. The next step will be to develop a contract from that RFP. Culturally responsive services, due to the application process we could not fund that process with Georgetown. We are now searching for culturally responsive curriculum, steeped in cognitive behavioral approaches. Just recently received information that 11th JD is working with KU on centering racial equity. This could be a potential partnering opportunity. The Juvenile Defense Improvements are close to finalizing a contract with National Juvenile Defense Center. The contract includes setting standards, training, and establishing data measures. In regard to substance abuse and mental health, we are looking at an assessment on where the needs are, before we decide what we target funds to. Will be working with KDADS in this objective.

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Pappan announced that the ORN gave a presentation on their program. ORN received other funding to identify and deliver services with goals of providing states with improving practices in avoiding substance use, in relating to overdose and deaths. The subcommittee plans to revisit the work with ORN. Provide information for program highlights and looking at program funds.

Cooper discussed the allocation of 12.5 million per year.

- Cooper proposed that the JJOC approves of using the one-time funding of 21.5 million to fund JAG-K, instead of the need to adjust the current budget.
- Hope proposed, as the SB 367 allows, funding for data systems. This could be used to build an API. An API is a tool in IT technology to connect systems.
- Discussed using the one-time funding to provide large grant opportunities for Juvenile Intake and Innovations in Juvenile Justice. If the JJOC, would agree, we would draw down that one-time fund using innovation grants. Whereas the agency would establish a program that other agencies could model. It would be a one-time grant, and the local agency would have to sustain the program after the grant. Kate Davis provided input that she was agreeable to the plan, and discussed that there is money for programs, and JJOC should work towards getting those funds to the community. Jeannette Owens expressed interest in creating the grants to be available as areas for juvenile justice, where the intake process could be a focus but not limited to just intake. Judge York expressed concern that they are having staffing problems, keeping the intake center open 24 hours a day, they are paying overtime.

Melody Pappan moved to put out an RFP for innovation in juvenile justice \$15 million. Motion second by Kate Davis. No discussion. Hope Cooper abstained from voting. Motion carried with no opposition.

Communications Subcommittee: Don Hymer

The communications subcommittee has discussed two areas of focus being dissemination of information to the public and how to address legislative testimony. Hymer presented a spreadsheet on members of the at large committee with appointment information. This information will be used to help disseminate information, through members based upon their discipline they work in. Regarding legislative testimony inquiries or, for members or the chair of the committee. Formal information should be tied close to the annual report, but also have leigh way. Regarding JJOC pushing legislation, should have approval from the committee. If there is a request for a member to give a presentation that might cross over into JJOC, the subcommittee did not have the opinion that this would require JJOC approval. Chair Dupree recommended putting the policy change recommendation on paper for members to consider and vote. Chair Dupree clarified that members are allowed and encouraged to talk about the work of JJOC within their areas and among agencies. Though proposals or recommendations for changes to the work of JJOC, should be with approval. Hymer agreed to draft a proposal to modify the wording of the policy.

Hymer also discussed the creating and formatting of the annual report. The subcommittee wanted to seek approval to correct clerical or technical errors. Clarification was made that in the event that a correction is made, after it is published, we would have to send out new physical copies to those that we are statutorily required to.

Hope Cooper made a motion to allow the communication subcommittee to approve technical corrections or adjustments without bringing it back to the at large committee. 2nd by Jeff Butrick. No discussion was had. All members voted in favor, motion passes.

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The subcommittee is starting the process to start building the annual report in advance of November due date. The committee will utilize the KDOC dashboards to gather information for the annual report.

Other business: Hymer commented and thanked the group for a very informative meeting. Chair Dupree thanked CJI for their work in putting the meeting together.

Max Mendoza made a motion to adjourn, 2nd the motion Judge (not York).

Meeting adjourned.