

# Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

Date and Time: Friday July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 9:00am – 11:30am

Location: Kansas Juvenile Correctional Complex (KJCC)  
1430 NW 25<sup>th</sup> St. Topeka, KS 66618

1. Call to order – 9:02 am
2. Rollcall – Present: Betty Arnold, Rachel Bell, Lara Blake Bors, Jeff Butrick, Sen. Faust-Goudeau, Hon. Richard Flax, Rebecca Gerhardt, Don Hymer, Megan Milner, Rep. Ousley, Rep. Owens, Melody Pappan, Amy Raymond, Randy Regehr, Steven Stonehouse, Hon Delia York, and Jeffery Zmuda.
3. Welcome – Welcome by the chair and Superintendent of KJCC.
4. Public Comment – Chair read Kansas Open Meetings Act statement, and gave an opportunity for public comment. No statements from the public were made.
5. Approval of meeting minutes-Minutes from the April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Moved for approval by Gerhardt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Blake Bors. Unanimously approved.
6. Chair/Vice Chair Report-Out
  - a. Chair Hymer announced and welcomed 3 new members recently appointed to JJOC. Judge Richard Flax from the 23<sup>rd</sup> JD, Community Corrections Director Randy Regehr from the 27<sup>th</sup> JD, and Captain Rodney Smith from the Kansas City, KS Police Department.
7. Community Presentation
  - a. KJCC gave a presentation on different re-entry process and programs offered at KJCC.
  - b. Legislative update - No legislative update at this time
8. Governor's office update
  - a. Discussed SB 420 allowing KJCC youth to attend programming off campus
  - b. Discussed the approval of funding for a regional substance abuse treatment center in south central Kansas.
9. Crossover Youth Program Model (CYPM)
  - a. It was announced that Shawnee Co has finished their protocols for CYPM.
  - b. Training and implementation are being discussed for possibly October.
  - c. Sedgwick and Montgomery County are finalizing their protocols as well.
10. KAG Update
  - a. KAG is allocating funds to the Gault Center to extend Juvenile Defense initiatives.
  - b. Bylaws were amended to allow KJCC youth members voting privileges
  - c. 2021 and 2022 KAG funds have been released for a competitive grant to focus on delinquency prevention
11. KS Detention Assessment Initiative Validation
  - a. Megan Milner announced the KDAI validation process is complete, but the final report not yet available. CJJ will present that report in the next JJOC meeting.
  - b. The KDAI steering committee will reconvene

## 12. Subcommittee report-outs

- a. Data – Judge York
  - i. Work continues performance measures
  - ii. Advancements made in collecting data on youth at juvenile detention centers (JDC). In the coming weeks those data dashboards will be made available.
  - iii. Quarterly data is not currently available but will be posted with meeting supplementals. (See Supplementals)
- b. Reinvestment – Melody Pappan
  - i. KDOC opened the rolling/innovation grants and are reviewing applications. The application collecting stays open if funds are available. There is no cutoff date for applications.
  - ii. Reinvestment met with RePath and approved funds to do a pilot program in three counties in Kansas.
  - iii. Have had ongoing conversations with the Family Peace Initiative (FPI). We got some information and the members wanted to do more research before making any funding decisions.
  - iv. Megan Milner – Proposed making funding available for JDCs to participate in Performance Based Standards (PBS). It was acknowledged that HB 2021 opened different opportunities within detention centers. JJOC agreed to authorize the Reinvestment Subcommittee to award funds to JDCs for PBS, as it deems appropriate. (See Supplementals)
- c. Comms – Steven Stonehouse
  - i. A quarterly newsletter went out shortly after our April JJOC meeting. That included updates with JJOC and also grant availability and application information.
  - ii. The subcommittee has started conversations around the annual report, and will be continuing that at our next meetings. We welcome any members that want to assist with that to reach out and join that team.
- d. Legislative
  - i. Discussed different legislative action to review. The subcommittee wants to focus on moving some legislative items in the upcoming year such as case length limits. Called for assistance in keeping the legislative subcommittee informed. Rep. Owens offered advice on how to make connections and relationships with those in the legislature.

## 13. Recap action items.

**Next meeting date:    October 18<sup>th</sup>, 10am**

**Adjourn 11:12am**