



Kane County Juvenile Justice July Annual Retreat Minutes
July 9th, 2019 at 12:30 PM

Gail Borden Library – Rooms A-B
270 N Grove Ave
Elgin, IL 60120

***Voting Members:** State's Attorney (chair), Chief Judge's Office, Juvenile Delinquency Court Judge, Public Defender, County Board, Sheriff's Department, Court Services, Regional Office of Education, Kane County Chiefs of Police, Juvenile Officer's Association, Kane County Bar Association*

Board Members present: Sarah Seberger, Judge Parkhurst, Josh Axelsen, Sheriff Hain, Rachele Conant, Lisa Aust,

Board Members late: Kristen Lohrstorfer (12:37 PM)

Board Members absent: Susan Starrett, Chief Rollins, Mike Doyen

Board Members early departure: Sheriff Hain (1:07 PM), Judge Parkhurst (1:21 PM)

Council Members present: Hilario Fernandez, Janeth Barba, Danielle Henson, Rachael Brackmann, Whitney Fancher, Anna Czerniak, Kim Peterson, Michael Isaacson, Matt Quinn

Council Members late: Colleen MacRunnels (12:37 PM), Kim Svevo-Cianci (12:49 PM)

Call to order: 12:35 PM

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes from April

Result:	APPROVED as distributed
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3. JJC Chairman's report

Financial updates:

- **Came in under budget last year**
- **Received grant funding for FY 20**
 - o **Denied Youth Serving Program grant**
- **Overspent on personnel**
 - o **Two trainings hosted at the end of the fiscal year that required additional time**
 - **Restorative Practices – can train up to 45 people, had 30 attend; Julia facilitated training, planning another given the interest**
 - **Law Enforcement training**
- **Updates since last quarterly meeting**
 - o **Presented Student Award and Youth Service Professional Award at May County Board meeting**
 - o **Board of Directors also completed an agreement to be trauma-informed, per the grant**

4. Items of Business

- **Email Vote: Restorative Practices Additional Expenditures**
Vote passed, report provided. Covered the cost of the training materials for the June Restorative Practices Training



- Email Vote: Domestic Violence Cards Approval & Expenditures
Vote passed, report provided. Will work on plan to distribute
- Email Vote: Mental Health Handout Expenditures
Vote passed, report provided. In the process of being printed, translated into Spanish as well
- Email Vote: Internet Safety Handout Expenditures
Vote passed, report provided.
- Email Vote: Restorative Practices materials for future trainings
Vote passed, report provided. Purchased materials for a future opportunity given the interest.
- Meeting schedule for FY 2020
Meeting schedule distributed & posted online
Will be switching location back to the SAO for Board meetings to have video participation capability

5. Initiative Updates

- Website pages
Updating pages, including one for the student award
Also provided update of main page graphic – no longer have slider bar
- Diversion Resources portal
Idea to help support law enforcement officers who are unaware of where to access services
Would be hosted on the JJC website, still talking with IT to see if this is possible
- National Night Out
Initiated discussion at last Board of Directors meeting
Instead of attending all of the events or just one event, trying to get materials to departments ahead of time

6. Review of Initiatives from FY 2019

- JJC Annual Report input
Julia and Sarah starting to write – share ideas/input via email
Reviewed FY 2019 Initiatives:
 - **Complete first Annual Report to help document what was accomplished during the fiscal year**
 - **Presented at a bullying presentation to a local elementary school**
 - **Reviewed work of the Restorative Practices subcommittee, including collaborative conversation with districts and planning a training opportunity**
 - **Collaborated with State's Attorney's Office for two police trainings and offered a fourth Mental Health First Aid training for law enforcement**
 - **Parent Presentations: Internet Safety & 5 Wake Up Call events**
 - **Finalized a draft of the Data Collection Plan**
 - **Developed materials to increase awareness and translated them into Spanish– Mental Health Parent Handout, Internet Safety Handout, Domestic Violence card**



- **Outstanding Student Award & Youth Service Professional Award**

- Opportunity to reflect
See attached compiled SWOT analysis – input provided by members in attendance

7. FY 2020 planning

Juvenile Trends

Members provided input on juvenile trends from their agencies

- **Mental health needs – 50% of juveniles with a diagnosis**
 - Increased need of mental health services
 - Increase in serious mental health issues – hospitalization difficulties
 - Overutilization of law enforcement/emergency room for mental health intervention
 - Increase in juveniles needing crisis assessments
 - Decrease in undocumented families accessing mental health services due to fear of deportation – dropping kids Medicaid, kids cannot access services
 - Increase in more significant mental health symptoms for teens that are presenting for assessment/treatment
- **Children of substance users with mental health issues**
- **Increase request for residential programs**
- **Grandparents raising children (home instability)**
 - Kids separated from parents/family support due to immigration, incarceration, substance use/death, mental health issues/institutionalization, family violence, DCFS involved/foster homes/adoption
 - Children not placed with bio parent
- **Waitlist to receive services**
- **Exposure to trauma**
 - History of sexual assault that is unaddressed – 50% to 80% report
 - Increase in sexual acting out behaviors toward female staff
- **Issues with school**
- **Family member who is mentally ill**
- **Trauma reactions**
- **Who youth are hanging out with and their attitude**
- **School threats**
- **Unable to cope with rejection**
- **Anger management**
- **Recidivism**
- **Aggression around cell phone use**
- **Violence against parent/sibling**
 - Domestic battery against parents
- **Lack of mentorship, professional development, coaching, career exploration**
- **Increased violence between youth**
- **Increased incidents of serious staff assaults**
- **Violation of probation – curfew**
 - Children refusing to go home (summer), wanting to stay out because it is summer
- **Drug use**
 - Start using marijuana, engagement in community supports declines
 - Drug use contributing to recidivism
 - Younger children until 13 with substance use issues



- Increase in opioid use, overdose and death – negative impacts on youth, adults & families, pregnant women
- Less admissions/referrals to treatment for teens from Court Services for marijuana because of how it is viewed/handled vs a decade ago
- Increase in school refusal – leads to excessive absences, home-schooling, effects graduation rate
- Suicide
- Parental refusal of services
- Increase vaping @ schools – causing discipline issues
- Increase awareness and attention on youth issues including mental health
 - Polarized relationships with community and law enforcement interferes with progress
- Violence, random acts to strangers

Training Ideas

Other training

- Legal Marijuana: Now What? (Vaping)
 - Matt Quinn
- Navigating social media, phones, cyber technology
 - Rich Wistocki
- Law Updates
 - What priorities will change?
 - How will this impact agencies?
- School personnel de-escalation training

Law Enforcement Training

- Domestic Violence
- Juvenile Probation
- Restorative Practices
- Training on signs/symptoms of mental illness and how to best respond
- Transgendered culture
- Use of force when not in a criminal situation but safety
- Training on Handle with Care
- Mental health based de-escalation
- Station adjustment options
- Sexual assault

Mental Health/Trauma for parents

- De-escalation for parents
- Born addicted
- Peter Simi – author/presenter
- Child & parenting development, strengths & community based
 - CCWF trainer
- Youth- Positive development and social/emotional skills for adulthood, family, early parenting
- ACEs
- Behavior management strategies for children/youth
- Overview of mental health disorders and symptoms
- Addressing the cultural barriers to seeking treatment
- Gateway Foundation substance use in workplace training



Trauma-informed for professionals

- Peter Simi
- Signs of sexual abuse in teens
- Understanding the impact of trauma
- More wake-up calls
- Substance abuse trainings
- Trauma Informed Health Equity for Intergenerational family development
 - o CCWF Trainers
- ACEs
- Hispanic families and receiving services for mental health

Cultural Competency

- Racial disparities in arrests & effects
 - o Strategies/suggestions for improvement
- What contributes to disproportionate representation of minorities in jj system
- Dr. Tracy from previous jj training
- Traci Ellis – local author
- Dr. Vincent Gaddis – educator
- Debby Irving – national author
- Understanding masculinity
- Inclusivity/LGBTQ+

Youth/Parent Domestic Violence Discussion

Contributing factors

- Parents don't know how to parent
- Parents absent from home
- Other priorities/pressures from home
- Generational differences

- Difficulty controlling anger/emotions
- Media influences and more violent trends

Strategies

- Empower and educate parents about what they can do (Ex: can remove cell phone)
- Parenting classes/healthy parenting skills
- Emotional intelligence and emotion regulation
 - o Restorative practices
- Alternative communication strategies for parents who are unable to attend training (PSA's)
- Educate parents about community resources through existing opportunities (school registration)
- Review best practices/case studies of other places that have successfully addressed DV issues
 - o DuPage – Step Up
 - o Bloomington – programming specific to girls
- Breakdown demographics of who is committing DV's and target interventions
- Coping mechanisms/resources for youth themselves, guidance for youth in the interim before getting to professional care



8. Legislative Updates

SB 0901 – Expands qualifying time for individual care grant, sent to Gov.

- A child will continue to be eligible for ICG if the child is placed in the guardianship of DCFS b/c child requires care in a residential facility. Wardship concerning neglected, abused, and dependent minors terminates at 21 years of age rather than 19.

HB2649 – creates taskforce on Children of Incarcerated parents, sent to Gov.

- First meeting held no later than August 1, 2019. Taskforce shall review available research, best practices, and effective interventions to formulate interventions. Report of findings and recommendations should be submitted to the General Assembly and Governor by 12/31/2019.

P.A. 101-0018 – Police & Hotel Employee Training in Identifying Human Trafficking, expanding statute of limitation for Human Trafficking

- All law enforcement officers must take human trafficking training
- Amends criminal code: Provides that when the victim is 18 years of age or over at the time of the offense, a prosecution for involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, or trafficking in persons and related offenses may be commenced within 25 years (rather than 3 years) after the commission of the offense.
- By June 2020, hotels and motels must train employees in the recognition of human trafficking
- Department of Labor shall develop curriculum for training

HB1579 – Mental Health Evaluations for Minors, sent to Gov.

- Prior to a sentencing order for disorderly conduct by making a threat of destruction of school building, property, or a threat of school related violence, the court may order a mental health evaluation.

HB3704 – Post-Release Services to Juveniles in DOC care, sent to Gov.

- Services provided by the Department of Corrections for transitional and post-release treatment programs for juveniles committed to the Department shall include family engagement, including, but not limited to, visitation and programming.

HB3086- Extension and Expansion of Purview of the Emotional Intelligence and Social and Emotional Learning Task Force, Sent to Gov.

- Must include strategies and instruction to address the needs of students with anger management issues in their best practices
- Must also make recommendations of funding sources
- Complete guidelines and recommendations by March 1, 2020 (as opposed to January 1, 2019)

HB1551 – DCFS Aftercare, Sent to Gov.

- If children are returned to parents, DCFS or service agency shall provide a minimum of 6 months of aftercare services to each child beginning on the date that the child is returned home. Requires the Auditor General to begin a performance audit of DCFS on year after the effective date of this act to determine if DCFS is meeting requirements.

HB0831 – Child Abuse Reporting, Sent to Gov.

- Requires DCFS to notify Department of Public Health and Healthcare and Family Services of reports of abuse that occur in facilities operated or licensed by DPH or DHFS and provide them with findings.



SB1239 – Review of Reports of Neglect to DCFS – Sent to Gov.

- Prior to classifying a report of abuse/neglect as unfounded, DCFS must first determine whether report is subject to review and must complete the review process prior to classifying the report. Requires a review of a random sample of at least 5% of child abuse and neglect reports

HB2256 – Emancipation of Minors – sent to Gov.

- Order of complete or partial emancipation may be entered even if there is an objection by the minor's parents/guardians and court finds that emancipation would be in the best interest of the minor.

HB2983 – Youth Homelessness Prevention, sent to Gov.

- Requires creation of Youth Homelessness Prevention Subcommittee to drive strategic vision for preventing homelessness among youth leave state systems of care.

SB1808 – DCFS Transitioning Youth, sent to Gov.

- To prevent homelessness, incarceration, unemployment and other similar outcomes, DCFS shall enter into an interagency agreement with specified agencies for the purpose of providing preventative services to youth in care and young adults who are aging out of or have recently aged out of the custody/guardianship of DCFS. Requires establishing an interagency liaison to review cases of at-risk youth in care and young adults, connect such youth to appropriate services to establish stabilization. Determine how to best provide housing, education, and employment services to at-risk youth in care and young adults. Requirements annual reports to General Assembly.

HB2152 – Mental Health Action on Campus, sent to Gov.

- Creates Mental Health Early Action on Campus Act. In order to raise mental health awareness on college campuses, each public college or university must complete specified tasks.

9. Other updates

- **Introduction to Kim Peterson, Kane County Health Dept's AOK Network Coordinator**
- **Reminder about survey signup for both providers and parents through Children's Mental Health grant**
- **SASS completed over 2000 assessments last year, including adults over 22**
 - o **More deflections than hospitalizations, with the exception of June**
- **Central States SER: Non-profit focused on career development for youth with barriers, located in downtown Aurora**
- **Workforce Development Division – Youth Services added a new provider: Parent Alliance Employment Project**
 - o **Focused on youth with disabilities from ages 16 to 24**
 - o **Work 1:1 with youth at Delnor hospital**

10. Adjournment – **2:27 PM**

11. Next Board of Directors Meeting: **August 15, 2019 at 12 PM, Kane County State's Attorney's Office, Conference Room**

Next Quarterly JJC Meeting: **October 10, 2019 at 11:30 AM, Kane County Sheriff's Department, Training Room**



SWOT Analysis – Juvenile Justice Council

In the space below, please reflect on the past fiscal year and consider the strengths (what we did well), the weaknesses (what could be done better), the opportunities (steps that can be taken in the new fiscal year), and any threats (barriers for the JJC accomplishing initiatives).

Strengths

- Tremendous community participation
- Solid coordinator
- Consistency to quarterly and retreat meetings, following schedule
- Organized & focused
- Opportunities to actively participate on subcommittees
- Trainings have been successful
- Kane County first county in Illinois to have Wake Up Call come to Illinois
- Identifying and mobilizing the strengths of partners
- Good at identifying needs and developing subcommittee to address
- Legal updates during the meetings

Weaknesses

- No information on trends - what's different this year from last year; instead of focusing on agencies/programs
- More law enforcement participation
- Document efforts for grant purposes
- Addressing RED - need to document what we are already doing and increase awareness to address issue
- Solid group of core community partners, but cannot bridge gap to other partners
 - Identifying benefits/opportunities to come to meeting
- More targeted interventions/initiatives (too scattered with what we are doing)

Opportunities

- Flyer specific to targeted audience (separate quarterly meeting dates)
- Presentation from Board members each year to push out JJC info
- Partners can share/identify benefits that they get from JJC
- Changes with marijuana law (Political trends)
 - Electronic Home Monitoring - more support from citizens of Kane County
 - Identify alternatives in community (connecting youth to non-profits for community service)
- Continue outreach to increase awareness about resources that are available
- Explicit about who is missing and intentional about for what
 - Using data effectively (what do we want more people for?)
 - People who are wanting to take initiative
- More education on cyber related issues

Threats

- Changes with marijuana law (Political trends)
 - Limited/restricted resources (\$) to support sustainability
- Staying stagnant/losing momentum
- Bylaws/elections - chairperson can only serve a 2 year term
- Shifting expenditures
- Census impacting funding
- Lack of parental involvement in initiatives

