



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council November Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2019 at 12:00 PM

**Kane County State's Attorney's Office – Conference Room
37W777 IL Route 38, Suite 300
Saint Charles, IL 60175**

***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*

Members present: Sarah Seberger, Lisa Aust, Deanna Oliver, Josh Axelsen, Kristen Lohrstorfer, Rachele Conant, Mike Doyen, Sheriff Hain (left at 12:46 PM)

Members absent: Judge Parga, Susan Starrett, Chief Rollins

Late: Julia (12:12 PM)

Call to order: 12:07 PM

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes from October

Result:	APPROVED as distributed
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3. JJC Chairman's report
 - **Distributed expenditures for Julia's salary and mileage from last month**
 - **Updates on Juvenile Justice Jeopardy – received a request for data – looking for most popular offenses based on race/gender**
 - **Strategies for Youth reached out to Julia to share about the opportunities in Kane County with FSA and EPD, also requesting additional ideas for funding**
 - **Sarah called Chief Lalley to confirm – EPD supports juvenile justice jeopardy but has no further collaboration with Strategies for Youth**
 - **Concerns that the agency may be trying to sell us something**
 - **Question about Strategies for Youth - this was the agency that also put on Policing the Teen Brain – a training that was considered by the JJC last fiscal year**
 - **Sarah told Bernie they should present about juvenile justice jeopardy to the Board**
 - **Site visits are taking place yesterday (11/13) and today (11/14)**
 - **Have shared that they want to help get the word out about the JJC's successes**
 - **Received two requests for presentations**
 - **Batavia asked for presenters focusing on social emotional/restorative practices, offered but already fulfilled; have also requested a possible presentation in the spring for restorative practices.**
 - **Central asked for appropriate internet conduct information, sent cyberbullying presentation for them to use**
 - **Data report plan – send any last minute thoughts/input**
 - **Next steps: set up a meeting with Chief Judge and Judge Abrahamson**
 - **Lisa would like to be included in the meeting**

4. Executive Session

Moved into Executive Session at 12:17 PM; Julia Schick excused



Result:	APPROVED – move into session
Mover:	Deanna Oliver
Seconder:	Lisa Aust
Ayes:	Seberger, Lohrstorfer, Conant, Aust, Oliver, Doyen, Hain

Returned from Executive Session at 12:25 PM

Result:	APPROVED – move out of session
Mover:	Deanna Oliver
Seconder:	Rachele Conant
Ayes:	Seberger, Lohrstorfer, Conant, Aust, Oliver, Doyen
Abstain:	Hain

5. Old Business

- De-Escalation Workshop Outline – **distributed to members**

DICUSSION:

- **If we have advance notice, can ask the Judge about court ordering court involved families to attend**
- **Also working with the Health Department, as part of their Mental Health grant, to put this workshop together**

- Restorative Practices updates
 - **Training review: 43 out of 45 participants on Day 1 and 39 out of 45 on Day 2**
 - **Feedback – (1) acoustics of the room made it difficult to hear during the training and (2) order of the information, especially with some of the concepts coming after lunch, made it difficult to maintain attention**
 - **Planning another roundtable discussion on December 11 to accommodate schedules**
 - **Also discussing other strategies to support the implementation, including a newsletter, an online forum to support ongoing discussion, and brief training opportunities**

- Youth focus groups
 - **Josh has shared approval from the schools for the JJC to meet with students. Need to schedule a time to go if any of the Board members have interest in joining.**
 - **Question: what does youth focus group look like?**
 - **A: Ask youth about perspective of juvenile justice system, would bring a snack/pizza**
 - **Suggestion to talk with kids in the detention center**
 - **Would need to screen questions**
 - **Could present issues with attorneys (SAO facilitating) – invite PD as well**
 - **JJC also houses kids from different counties – could be challenging to separate them**

- Law Enforcement Training
 - **Still trying to seek clarity around the technical assistance that will be provided from the Commission**
 - **Julia reached out to ICOY – not clear about the offer for technical assistance from the grant application but willing to help and also seeking clarity by reaching out to Commission members**



- Lisa will check in with Commission members as well
- If law enforcement officers are seeing something that would be helpful, please let us know
- Logistics discussion – would be helpful to do a 2 to 3 hour session in the North and South ends of the county.
 - Going to police departments to help reduce barriers
 - Patrol needs this type of training
 - If we did 7 AM to 10 AM and 12 PM to 3 PM, would hit all three shifts
 - Need to get the word out to the Chiefs

6. New Business

- Annual Report

VOTE: Does the Board of Directors approve the final draft of the Annual Report?

Result:	APPROVED
Mover:	Lisa Aust
Secunder:	Sheriff Hain
Ayes:	Seberger, Lohrstorfer, Conant, Aust, Oliver, Doyen, Hain

DISCUSSION: None

- Trauma: Handle with Care program

Discussion:

- **Would be a partnership with the Children’s Mental Health grant & Family Violence Coordinating Council**
 - **Program to help support youth exposed to law enforcement involvement by supporting a line of communication between police department and schools**
 - If school-aged children are present when police arrive for a call, it would prompt a notification to the school, stating “handle with care”. This would alert school officials to initiate their notification process to make any necessary staff aware that the child may be struggling as a result.
 - **Helpful for schools to have the information; without the information, it can lead to discipline issues**
 - **Is there an objective way to determine trauma?**
 - ACES study, but also depends on the resilience of the youth
 - **Program could be great for the internalizers who do not share as outwardly, externalizers may share something is going on through their behavior**
 - **Cicero police department is doing this**
 - **Is this repetitive with having SRO’s?**
 - Yes and no – there could be cases that come up that school resource officers may not be aware of
 - **Reduces questions**
 - **Was developed specific for domestic violence exposure, but has expanded to additional law enforcement involvement**
 - **Julia to send out materials for review**
- Youth Mental Health First Aid trainings
 - **District 131 lost funding that was providing Youth Mental Health First Aid training. Have offered to partner with JJC through the City of Aurora as a possible alternative to continue the trainings**



- Restorative Practices
 - Extra materials
 - **We have extra books from IIRP that were purchased with excess grant funding. Books have been updated since these were purchased, so the JJC has a surplus. Seeking input from the Board about providing some copies to school district partners to help support implementation**
 - **No objections to sharing**
 - **Also received requests for additional cards that had been distributed. Seeking input as to whether or not we do a vote to order more?**
 - **Would like them for the staff at the JJC**
 - Training for Trainers
 - **Subcommittee has asked about hosting again – proposed that the JJC offer some supplemental funding, but that schools also have to pay to send individuals and that there be some sort of agreement for them to provide training within and outside of their district as well.**
 - **More open to this if schools have to buy in – schools do have money for this training**
 - **Has the JJC contacted the Council about training – previous discussion about training staff, but nothing set up**
- 2020 Student Award & Professional Award
 - **Planning ahead, any changes to the award as it was done from the past couple of years?**
 - **None**
- Distribute compiled JJC data for trends review at December meeting
 - **Distributed compiled data to Board of Directors for review as part of performance measures**
 - **Hard to read, Sarah to send color version**
 - **Some of the numbers are off in comparison to what was submitted by Court Services; labels also appear to be incorrect**
 - **Arrests do not include station adjustments – this is the purpose of the data plan**

7. Adjournment – **12:57 PM**

8. Next Meeting: December 12, 2019 at 12 PM, State’s Attorney’s Office Conference Room