



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council April Quarterly Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2021 at 11:30 AM

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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: Brenda Willett, Eric Majewski, Deanna Oliver (left at 11:50 AM), Kristen Lohrstorfer, LaTanya Hill, Judge Parga

Board members late: Lark Cowart (11:36 AM), Mike Doyen (11:40 AM)

Board Members absent: Sheriff Hain

Board Member vacancies: County Board

Council members present: Adam Schauer, Anna Czerniak, Bernie May, Elizabeth Moe Garcia, Janeth Barba, Kailynn Knight, Kim Svevo-Cianci, Laura Kowalski, Lee Jones, Marques Clark, Martha Infante, Matthew Quinn, Meg Kruse, Michael Isaacson, Rose Diaz, Suzanne Markin, Zachary Hansen, Rasheka Norwood

Call to order: 11:31 AM

1. Introductions
2. IRIS Overview – Anna Czerniak

Anna Czerniak from the Kane County Health Department provided an overview/presentation of IRIS (Integrated Referral and Intake System). Cost is absorbed by the Health Department, free referral system for providers in the community. If you are interested in learning more or having a demo done for organization, contact Anna – czerniakanna@co.kane.il.us

3. Approval of minutes from March

Result: APPROVED as distributed

4. JJC Chairman's report

Financial –

- **Total expenditures for March: \$1195.26**
- **Total remaining: \$39,563.75**

County Board Representative update – Rachele is still working on this

5. Old Business

- Updates on priorities
 - Youth Focus Groups
 - Julia provided an brief summary of the efforts to the larger Council. Youth from West Aurora will meet with the Board of Directors at the May meeting to discuss (1) information they want adults who work in the justice system to know and (2) any**



recommendations for connecting/engaging with youth in the community. These youth are involved with an advisory committee for the West Aurora School District to address issues related to equity.

○ De-Escalation Videos

Nothing new to report.

○ Law Enforcement Training

1. Email Vote Report – Legal Ease Newsletter Article #2

Vote passed. Report distributed to the Board of Directors.

Strategies for Youth Training – offering to provide a Policing the Teen Brain training, have funding available to reduce the cost to \$9000. Same agency that has collaborated with Family Service Association already to extend Juvenile Justice Jeopardy curriculum into our community. Would bring a TOT to our community, aligns with requirements for law enforcement coming from state mandates. If we can cover \$9000, they have funding available to cover the remaining 4 day training, and then 2 follow up sessions. Would have 2-day core curriculum that would cover topics related to interacting with youth.

DISCUSSION:

- **Can we find out ahead of time whether or not this would be a feasible a training?**
- **There are a lot of mandated trainings coming out as a result of the new CJ bill, beginning July 1, 2021.**
- **Next step: talk with ILETSB to see if this curriculum would meet state requirements**
- **Has been difficult to get requirements fulfilled for SRO's in the community, would be helpful but need approval from ILETSB**

○ Parent Engagement

Nothing new to report.

○ Restorative Practices

1. Email Vote Report – 2-Day Introduction Training

Vote passed. Report distributed to the Board of Directors.

Update Provided -

Moving forward with the Training of Trainers in June. Moving forward with introductory training that is the pre-requisite at the end of April.

Subcommittee is continuing to have conversations about how we support implementation. Part of this is building capacity with being able to offer training

○ Resource Folder

Subcommittee met to discuss formatting. Developing a brochure type document that has a simple flow chart of the juvenile court processes, some definitions of common terms, resources, and phone numbers for any questions. Goal is to keep it simple, but offer something for the families to reference after they leave court.



- Racial and Ethnic Disparities
RED Team met in March to review data from law enforcement survey. Focused conversation on having more strategic discussions to explore the issues related to Adolescent Domestic Battery in our community.

Data presentation with CPRD – May 12th from 12 PM to 1 PM. If you are interested in attending, please let Julia know.

- Individual Meetings
Julia will continue to do these as time allows. Likely will continue into new fiscal year.
- Current expenditures
Still have a significant amount of funding available.
Note to the Board – email vote coming requesting funding to renew the Zoom subscription.
Any needs in the community?
 - Request for a rollover?
Not an option. Last year was a continuation instead of a competitive, but have not allowed a rollover.
 - Send any ideas to Julia or Rachele
- Book Club
Revisiting the idea. Explanation provided - would select a book to read and then convene a circle to discuss, specifically around the topic of equity. Would need to determine a structure, offer professional development. Could be done virtually.
- FY 2022 Grant
Due May 19th. Julia will be working on putting everything together. Anyone interested in helping is welcome, as well as input around any priorities. As a result of some of the discussions with the Commission over the past fiscal year, Julia will be revising the RED plan and the JJC Plan so that they can be used as tools in discussion so that members know where we are at and where stand with efforts.

6. New Business

- Success Stories
The Commission sent a request for any success stories to be shared. Can be from a youth/family, agency, or community level.

7. Juvenile Trends

No trends discussed.

8. Legislative Updates

Distributed.

Discussion – SB 2385 – raising the age of juveniles

- Ongoing discussion over the years, aligning with efforts to the raise the age of detention.
- Coming from a lot of discussions around emerging adults and adolescent brain development.

SB 65 - Another bill raising the detention age to 13.

Additional bills that were not included also propose that the court take development into consideration when handling cases of individuals under a certain age.



9. Other updates
No updates.

10. Adjournment – **12:16 PM**

Next Board of Directors Meeting: May 13th from 12 PM to 1 PM, Kane County State's Attorney's Office Conference Room and Virtual via Zoom