



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council Board of Directors September Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2021 at 12 PM

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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

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**Members present:** Rachele Conant, Judge Parga, Lisa Aust, Josh Axelsen, Eric Majewski, Debra Conforti, Kristen Lohrstorfer, Lark Cowart (arrived at 12:12 PM)

**Members absent:** Sheriff Hain, Mike Doyen

**Vacancies:** County Board

**Guest:** Karen Levi, Lake County State's Attorney's Office/Juvenile Justice Council

1. Introductions

**Introduced guest – Karen Levi, Chief of the Juvenile Division, Lake Co SAO and is reconvening the JJC in Lake County. They are also a recipient of a grant through the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission to support.**

2. Approval of minutes from August

<b>Result:</b>	<b>APPROVED</b> as distributed
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3. JJC Chairman's report

**Financial**

- July – \$989.84 (Personnel)
- August - \$1314.01 (Personnel)

**JJC Contract Signature is in front of the County Board – Was on the agenda for the Finance Committee in August and will be before the full County Board on September 14.**

**Still working on County Board representation**

4. Old Business

- Updates on priorities
  - Youth – no new updates. Discussed ideas for involving youth going forward.
    - Concerns about confidentiality – minutes/meetings are public
    - Question about age range – would it be possible to include a youth who has had past involvement, but are currently considered adults.
      - a. Rachele will double check the statute to confirm the age limitation



**b. Julia will speak further with Josh about engaging young adults with past system involvement**

- **Restorative Practices – still working to schedule a meeting with the parent Council who may be interested in training.**
  - **RP MOU Discussion – Reviewed some requests that are not explicit in the MOU and may take away from the “spirit” of what was intended with the agreement. Board is supportive of requests, so long as there is training occurring in the community.**
- **Law enforcement training – Confirmed December 20<sup>th</sup> and December 21<sup>st</sup>. Shared details about data collection – looking at what types of charges youth are being arrested for, trends in data over a period of time, current policies and procedures, and main concerns that law enforcement have when interacting with youth.**
  - **Julia will email questions to Eric and Kristen**
  - **Could provide county overview of data and include data from specific departments to supplement. If only detention data is included, data would be skewed**
  - **Utilize detention data, referrals to court, and ask departments for Station Adjustment data – ability to provide would depend on the agency attending**
  - **Will offer to juvenile officers, including SRO’s, to gauge interest**
  - **Julia will put together materials and send to Eric and Kristen to share with officers**
- **Resource Folder – Drafts have been distributed to the workgroup for review; there are some minor revisions to be made, but have not received any additional feedback. Once revisions are made, Julia will distribute to the Board for final approval.**
- **Expungement packet – has been revised, currently checking with the Clerk’s Office for additional review. Have taken the old packet down to maintain compliance with the statute change, but will upload the new packet, pending any feedback from the Clerk.**
- **Racial and Ethnic Disparities**  
**Meeting scheduled September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM.**  
**The ADB workgroup met in August and will meet again next week – currently mapping the issue of ADB in Kane County across decision points to determine where some of the gaps exist. Will continue this discussion and then meet to problem solve.**
- **RED Conference**  
**An agenda was sent out with the materials. Looking for additional interest, in addition to those who expressed interest previously. Julia to get more information about the availability of sessions and will follow up after.**



5. New Business

- Wake Up Call Collaboration

**VOTE: Does the Board approve collaborating with West Aurora to bring Wake Up Call to Kane County and split the total cost of \$4750?**

<b>Result:</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>
Mover:	Lisa Aust
Seconder:	Eric Majewski
Ayes:	Conant, Parga, Majewski, Conforti, Lohrstorfer, Aust, Axelsen

**Received a request from West Aurora to partner and split the cost to host a Wake Up Call session. This will be offered in person and will be opened up to the community. Looking at dates in January/February.**

**NO DISCUSSION**

- JJC Survey Review & Discussion  
**Survey results distributed. No additional comments from the Board, but Julia and Rachele will put together some ideas to propose to the Board that will be beneficial to the Council as a whole.**
- JJC October Quarterly Meeting planning  
**No concerns with proceeding in person – suggestion to offer hybrid. Julia will check in with Sheriff’s Department to see if this is an option to include a zoom option as well. Rachele will confirm if bylaws will allow for a hybrid quorum.**

6. Other updates

7. Adjournment – **12:39 PM**

Next JJC Quarterly Meeting: October 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM, Kane County Sheriff’s Department Training Room

Next Board of Directors Meeting: November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 12 PM, Virtual