



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council Board of Directors December Meeting NOTES  
December 9<sup>th</sup>, 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:** Josh Axelsen, Judge Parga, Kristen Lohrstorfer, Brenda Willett, Debra Conforti, Eric Majewski

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

**Vacancies:** County Board

**Call to order: 12:01 PM**

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes from November

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

**Financial for November**

- \$1187.84 – Personnel
- \$1825 – RED Conference Attendance (x5)
- Monthly total: \$3012.84
- YTD: \$9354.03

**Reminder – if there are any needs/ideas for funding, please share. Josh discussed a potential program through one of the school districts that utilizing evidence based programming. There was a request to send out what the funding can be put toward.**

**County Board representative –continuing to actively search**

4. Old Business

- Updates on priorities

**Youth – Strategies for Youth requested assistance from youth to attend the training; have not received interest so far. Julia will extend request to other entities with access to youth.**



**Restorative Practices – FSA is hosting a training in January. There are 15 staff members registered. Will see about opening up to others; just will need to find a space to accommodate. Julia also met with representatives from COFI/Parent Council. Extending the invite for them to participate in the RP training with FSA.**

**Law Enforcement Training – Received data from 3/10 departments. Julia providing data from Court Services and detention report data from the Commission.**

**Expungements – Judge Parga is currently reviewing the revised packet.**

**Family Court Guides – Julia working on incorporating edits and plans to have updated guides for next meeting with a quote for printing.**

- **Racial and Ethnic Disparities**  
**RED meeting postponed to after the holidays due to conflicts.**

**ABD Workgroup met this week to continue the discussion. There are three responses that are being considered to initially work on impacting this issue:**

- (1) The state is going to be rolling out a standardized screening instrument for detention, which may impact the ability to use detention in response to these cases**
- (2) Legislative changes to the IDVA statute**
- (3) Considering a diversion program, such as Step Up, and utilizing the Adolescent Domestic Battery Typology Tool to assess for the type of violence. Next step is to meet with those in DuPage who are familiar with the Step Up program to learn more and determine whether or not it would help address the needs in Kane County.**

- **SEAC Speaker Request**  
**Will take place on the second and fourth Wednesday in January at 4 pm at Jefferson Middle School. Speakers have provided their preferences of days. Julia working with Valerie to get a list of questions.**
- **JJC Restructure**  
**Julia continuing to draft the interagency agreement**
- **JJC Site Visits**  
**Dates were provided to the Commission based on the availability received. Based on the dates/times provided, it will be one 2 hour time block. Julia will send out date once it is confirmed. Site visit will be virtual and focus is on how we are administering the grant, implementing the JJC plan.**  
**January 24: 9 AM – 11 AM, 10 AM – 12 PM, 12 PM – 2 PM, & 1 PM – 3 PM**  
**February 2: 10 AM – 12PM**  
**February 9: 9 AM – 11 AM**
- **Wake Up Call**  
**The event is taking place on January 25<sup>th</sup> and will be available in Spanish. Working on advertising with West Aurora and the ROE; will share information as it is available.**



5. New Business

- IJJC RED Committee Update

**There has been a change in the name – now the Illinois Racial Justice and Equity Committee to move away from the RED acronym and also be more representative of the work being done. Also, one of the co-chairs stepped down, leaving a vacancy. Historically this role was fulfilled by Commissioners, but a decision was made to open it up to anyone on the committee. Julia was approached about the opportunity to be co-chair and accepted with permission from SA Mosser. This will increase the workload from 2 – 3 hours/month to 3 – 5 hours for this new role. Julia provided an update on the work of the committee, specifically related to the two workgroups.**

- JJC Quarter 2 Plan Progress Review  
**Revisited the JJC plan and reviewed progress.**

6. Other updates

**Josh provided update on research study with Dr. Graczyk from UIC to look at early attendance in elementary school as an early warning sign for court involvement. Currently in a proof of concept phase and have narrowed the scope to looking at court involvement specifically for truancy but are anticipating that this may also connect with delinquency court involvement as well. Working with school districts (300 and 129) in the area to begin looking at the data. Next step will be to work with UIC's IRB to get a research study.**

7. Adjournment – **12:25 PM**

Next JJC Quarterly Meeting: January 13, 2022 at 11:30 AM, Virtual

Next Board of Directors Meeting: February 10, 2022 at 12 PM, Virtual