



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council December 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2022 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*

Members present: Rachele Conant, Debra Conforti, Lark Cowart, Josh Axelsen, Vern Tepe, Eric Majewski, Judge Karayannis (12:12 PM)

Members absent: Sheriff Hain, Kristen Lohrstorfer, Lisa Aust/LaTanya Hill, Mike Doyen

Meeting start: 12:08 PM

Quorum: 12:12 PM

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes from November

Result: APPROVED as distributed

3. JJC Chairman's report

Financial

- **November: \$1,895.34 (Personnel & equipment)**
- **YTD: \$10,327.05**

4. Old Business

- Updates on FY 2022 Priorities

Youth/Parents

- **Waiting to hear about Part II of the Parent Equity Workshop**
- **Youth involvement – discussed funding to incentivize youth (and parents) to be involved and potentially engaging with the youth from Kane County who is on the statewide YAB. Julia shared structure of statewide YAB – a cohort of youth has gone through preparation sessions led by a partner from Adler University to become official members of the YAB and get ready to join the Commission meetings and workgroups.**

Law Enforcement

Discuss status of JJJ. Julia will share additional information with Eric to be passed along at JOA meeting this week.



Restorative Practices

No new updates.

Expungements

Discussed potential opportunities to involve youth in reviewing the packet to make more readable and offering incentives. Can also use online readability checker to assist with making edits prior to engaging youth. Acknowledged the challenge of simplifying the legal terms.

- Updates on FY 2023 Priorities

JJC Restructure

Workgroup is working to reschedule. Shared plans for discussion at the next meeting, examining the purpose of the JJC and how it has been useful to those who are involved, specifically within their job function. In other words, is the JJC fulfilling a specific purpose that is worth maintaining or has it become just another meeting to attend that can be easily missed? Given the nature of this discussion, invitation will be extended to the Board of Directors as well.

JJC Symposium Planning

Julia has been meeting with speakers around topics discussed within the workgroup and provided a preliminary overview. It would be a 4 part virtual speaker series of 1 hour sessions for those working with youth in Kane County who might be risk for system involvement. Will also look into continuing education credit; JJC Zoom Account can host up to 100 participants. It will be 3 speakers, with one of the speakers doing a 2-part session; Julia will gather bios to share with the Board. Discussed potential days/times – lunch hours are best if scheduling sooner, could also do toward the end of the day if planning further out. One of the speakers is looking to review some of the disparity data that has been reviewed; Julia will send out an email vote to approve what will be shared.

- Racial and Ethnic Disparities

JJC RED Team

Part of the team met at the end of November. Discussed some of the current offenses happening in schools and began reviewing the results of the law enforcement survey, which led to a discussion around considering the effectiveness of interventions with those that may not complete their station adjustments or may reoffend while there are efforts to divert. Looking to reconvene in the new year to identify next steps/focus.

IRJEC (Statewide Committee)

Will reconvene the whole committee in January. The TTAS workgroup met to continue outlining the TTA process in preparation to work with Lake and Madison county in the new year. The second workgroup focused on improving data collection will meet in the new year, but potentially have some reflection to assist with preparation.

ADB Workgroup

Workgroup will meet on January 10th at 12 PM.

- JJC Site Visit FY 2023 Debrief

No discussion



5. New Business

- FY 2023 JJC Plan Review

Julia to walk through plan to review progress. Judge Karayannis shared that the IL Supreme Court has convened a committee on Domestic Battery and will follow up to see if there is anyone from Kane on the committee; acknowledged that it could have implications on the issue of Adolescent Domestic Battery as well.

6. Other updates

7. Adjournment – 12:48 PM

Next JJC Quarterly Meeting: January 12th, 2023 at 11:30 AM, Virtual

Next Board of Directors Meeting: February 9th, 2023 at 12 PM