



Kane County Juvenile Justice Council Board of Directors April 2026 Meeting Minutes
April 7th, 2026 at 12:15 PM

Kane County Juvenile Justice Center Training Room

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Saint Charles, IL 60175

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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 of Directors present: Kristen Lohrstorfer, Josh Axelsen, Rachele Conant, Vern Tepe, Judge Parga, LaTanya Hill, Mike Doyen (12:20pm)

Board of Directors absent: Patrick Eversole, Sheriff Hain, Dana Fortunato

Council members in person: Kim Peterson, Carlos Guillen, Mike Davis (12:24pm)

Council members virtually: Martha Infante, Isabel Trujillo, Pam Ely, Julian (Aunt Martha's), Maureen Gasek, Simon Rodriguez (12:18pm)

Call to order: 12:15pm

1. Introductions
2. Approval of minutes from February

Result: APPROVED as distributed

3. JJC Chairman's report

Julia can send out financial update when available.

4. Old Business

- Racial and Ethnic Disparities
 - **RED: Waiting to set up a meeting with the Health Department this spring.**
 - **IRJEC: Nothing new**
 - **ADB: Rachele provided a summary of the changes to the legislation regarding juveniles involved in incidents of domestic battery. To help share information about the change with law enforcement, State's Attorney Mosser led a virtual and in person training. State's Attorney Mosser has offered to do training at specific departments, so if there is interest, let Julia know.**



- Collaboration with CSG
 - **The project with CSG helped initiate discussions to make improvements to processes/procedures. A workgroup that includes Court Services, State's Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, the Judiciary, Diagnostic Center, and the ROE has come together. The collaboration has resulted in changes to processes to bring youth into court sooner for initial appearance to reduce the length of the time before disposition and updated policies for youth to terminate probation early. Now the workgroup is turning their attention to reducing the number of court conditions.**

- Truancy Workshop
 - **The next session is scheduled for April 16th. There are 120 participants registered for this one. This is the third of four sessions. Those participating have been able to network with one another, with some district staff meeting with each other outside of the sessions to continue collaborating.**

- JJC Structure
 - **A strategic planning meeting occurred on March 9th. Met with representatives from the Commission to work through a theory of change. It was determined that additional conversation is needed to confirm the purpose by revisiting the Mission/Vision of the JJC and considering if that is still aligned with what the JJC wants to do. This discussion will occur at the May Board meeting.**

- Adolescent Brain Development Workshop
 - **Provided an update on attendance – we had about 40 attorneys and 30 community members attend**
 - **LaTanya provided a summary of Dr. Nandi's approach to the presentation**
 - **Have received positive survey feedback**

- Restorative Practices
 - **Administered a survey to school districts again regarding the status of their implementation of Restorative Practices. As a result, would like to convene another roundtable discussion for school district representatives to come together and continue to have a discussion around their implementation efforts.**

- Upstream
 - **Provided an overview of Upstream – it is an opportunity through the AOIC to do a community mapping session to see where there may be opportunities to collaborate better and find areas where they may be gaps that can be addressed.**
 - **Will be hosted on May 21 and 22 – the first day is a full day and the second day is a half day. It is being hosted in the Juror's Lounge and space will be limited. The JJC will be part of the process, which could help with distinguishing where projects/initiatives go.**

5. New Business

- FY 2027 JJC Grant Renewal
 - The renewal was posted at the beginning of March and due April 1. Julia completed the application and it has been submitted.**



6. Department/Agency Updates

- **LaTanya shared about the juvenile sex offended training event they are having on April 9th geared toward area attorneys to learn about treatment options and registry specifics.**
- **Carlos (SD 129) shared that they are doing Restorative Practices training for the Health Department**

7. Trends/Legislative Updates/Other updates

Julia will send out legislative updates

8. Adjournment – **12:43PM**

Next JJC Board of Directors Meeting: May 5th, 2026 at 12:15pm, Juvenile Justice Center Training Room