



## Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Prevention

Cedar Lodge  
September 25 & 26, 2017

### Final Minutes

#### Members Present

“Shelly” Lena Baker-Scott  
Marilyn Brown  
Nancy Campos (appointed 9/22/17)  
Uley Damiani  
John Dougherty  
Keith Farmer, Vice Chair  
Dave Johnson (Monday only)  
Alex Kamberis (for DSS)  
Malcolm King (for DBHDS, Tuesday only)  
Julie McConnell  
Shane Ringressy  
James Towey (for DJJ, Monday only)  
Elaine Williams (appointed 9/22/17)

#### Members Absent

JoAnn Burkholder (for DOE)  
Lorenzo Collins  
Leah Ganssle (appointed 9/22/17)  
Joseph Gong (appointed 9/22/17)  
Del. Christopher T. Head  
Anthony Jackson (appointed 9/22/17)  
Alyssa Jones (appointed 9/22/17)  
Adrienne McFadden (for VDH)  
Samuel Perez (appointed 9/22/17)  
Toni Randall (appointed 9/22/17)  
Sen. Bryce Reeves  
Lawrence Webb  
Amy Woolard

#### Guests Present

Lindsay Fisher, Immediate Past Chair  
Eileen Garry, Acting Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (Monday only)  
Daniela Lewy, Executive Director, Virginia Governor’s Children’s Cabinet (Tuesday only)  
Dr. Patricia Popp, State Coordinator, Project HOPE-VA (Monday only)

#### DCJS Staff Present

James Christian, DCJS, K12 School Safety Coordinator (Tuesday only)  
Fran Ecker, Director (Monday only)  
Thomas Fitzpatrick, Director, Division of Programs and Services (Monday only)  
Jenna Foster, Co-Convener of Vision 21 (Monday only)  
Ed Holmes, Juvenile Justice Program Analyst  
Monica Jackson, Juvenile Justice Program Analyst  
Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile Services Section  
Donna Michaelis, DCJS, Manager of Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (Tuesday only)  
Ken Stables, Compliance Monitor

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:19 a.m. by Lindsay Fisher. [Note: because of the timing of the appointments of new members, Lindsay Fisher ran the meeting even though her term just ended as of the date of the appointments.]

### **Introduction of Members**

Lindsay Fisher asked all in attendance to introduce themselves.

### **DCJS Updates**

- Ken Stables updated the committee on JJDP Act compliance audit conducted by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in August of 2017. Ken gave an update on the number of valid court order (VCO) violations reported, the status of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) and the potential phase out of the use of the VCO exception to the prohibition on detaining status offenders.
- Ed Holmes gave a report of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) Continuation Grant to support compliance with the JJDP Act that was awarded by the Criminal Justice Services Board for FFY2018.
- Monica Jackson informed the committee that DCJS staff attended “mission-critical” training at the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. The committee was provided an update on the upcoming Racial and Ethnic Disparities trainings DCJS is hosting, and of the state team that will attend Georgetown’s Center for Juvenile Justice Reform’s Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities Certificate Program in November of this year.

### **State Agency Updates**

Proxies from the Departments of Juvenile Justice and Social Services gave the committee updates on activities of interest.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The June 27, 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Marilyn Brown to approve the minutes of June 27, 2017. The motion was seconded by Alex Kamberis, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

### **New/Old Business**

- **Bylaws**  
The committee was provided with a copy of the revised bylaws, which were presented for review and comment in the last meeting held on June 27, 2017. A motion was made by Julie McConnell to approve the revised bylaws. Dave Johnson seconded the motion and the bylaws were approved unanimously.

### **Lunch**

### **Greetings from DCJS**

Fran Ecker, Director of DCJS, brought greetings from the Agency and introduced Eileen Garry, Acting Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

### **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**

Eileen Garry, Acting Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), brought greetings from the federal oversight agency, provided updates on the JJDP Compliance Manual, the JJDP Act’s reauthorization, and of her working relationship with Virginia, and specifically with DCJS.

### **Project HOPE Presentation**

Dr. Patricia Popp, State Coordinator, Project HOPE-VA, defined and described homelessness and reviewed the issue of homelessness amongst Virginia's youthful population. She explained the demographic and how Project HOPE identifies homeless youth and assists youth, specifically in the school setting.

### **Vision 21 Presentation**

Jenna Foster, Co-Convener of Vision 21: LSC Demonstration Project, described the initiative and how it is working to improve the linkage of systems of care for children and youth in Virginia. She described the potential role for the committee in the future, in making connections for services for those children who have been victims of crime who are identified earlier as a result of the Vision 21 project.

### **SGA Meeting**

The committee went to Bon Air Juvenile Correctional Center (JCC) and met with the Student Government Association's (SGA) Executive Team that resides at Bon Air JCC. Following the meeting, the SGA Executive Team, along with Bon Air JCC staff, took the ACJJP on a tour of the facility and described changes since the transformation has taken place within DJJ's secured facilities.

**Reconvened Meeting:** The meeting reconvened at 9:14 a.m. September 26.

### **Virginia Governor's Children's Cabinet Presentation**

Daniela Lewy, Executive Director, Virginia Governor's Children's Cabinet, provided an overview of the purpose and goals of the Children's Cabinet, described collaborations built, and shared some areas where current and future work will take place.

### **Virginia Center for School and Public Safety Presentation**

Donna Michaelis, Manager, Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (VCSCS), presented on the work done by the VCSCS, most specifically on the Classrooms Not Courtrooms Initiative, and provided updates on what has taken place to date and on the newest research being conducted.

### **Agency Updates**

Malcolm King gave the committee updates from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS).

### **Debrief**

The committee discussed their observations from the meeting with the SGA on Monday, September 25, 2017, as well as the tour of Bon Air JCC. Some had seen the facility prior to the transformation and were able to note many differences and some similarities.

### **JJDP Three-Year Plan Review and Planning**

Monica Jackson reviewed the plan that covered FFY2015-2017 and requested input from the committee on revisions or updates based on the needs of the youth population in Virginia.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment during this meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Alex Kamberis made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Marilyn Brown. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:52 A.M.