

Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Prevention



Due to the active state of emergency, this meeting was electronic pursuant to Item 4-0.01 of the 2020 Appropriation Act.

Final Minutes November 17, 2020

Members Present

Nanette Bowler
Marilyn Brown
Ngan Bui
Nancy Campos
Mary Langer
Alana Corn
John Dougherty
Keith Farmer, **Chair**
Morgan Faulkner
Amy Woolard
Anthony Jackson
Malcolm King (for DBHDS)
Mary Langer
Julie McConnell, **Vice-Chair**
James Towey (for DJJ)
Senator Joseph Morrissey
Sable K. Nelson (for VDH)
Maribel Saimre (for DOE)
Paul Taylor
Delegate Rodney Willett

Members Absent

Victoria Baldwin
Kim Gretes (for David Johnson)
Elaine Williams
Lorenzo Collins
David Johnson
Joseph Gong
Samuel Perez
Toni Randall
Toni Randall
Lawrence Webb
Niyah White

DCJS Staff Present

Ed Holmes, Juvenile Justice Program Analyst
Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile and Child Welfare Section
Ken Stables, Compliance Monitoring Specialist

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Keith Farmer at 10:07PM

Roll Call: Keith Farmer asked all in attendance to introduce themselves

Introduction of New Member:

Nanette Bowler DSS was introduced as the proxy member representing the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS). Ms. Bowler provided the committee with a brief overview and description of her background, experience and current duties at VDSS, and her interests.

Approval of Minutes

The September 28th, 29th, and the October 1, 2020, meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Julie McConnell. Malcolm King seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously by the roll call vote.

Three Year Plan Priority Areas

DCJS staff Ed Holmes facilitated the discussion on the proposed three-year plan priority order with the ACJJP Committee. Two committee members, Amy Woolard and Julie McConnell made a request to place Reducing Disproportionality in the Juvenile Justice System an overarching priority. ACJJP Committee members went into discussion on the order of the priority areas. Laurel Marks offered that DCJS would work on language reflecting that request and bring it back for a final review at the next ACJJP meeting.

Title II Juvenile Justice Initiative

Ed Holmes presented a summary of the Virginia Department of Education (DOE) Title II Equity Initiative. A motion was made by Julie McConnell to approve a total of \$84,210.00 for the DOE Equity Initiative. Shelly Baker-Scott seconded the motion. Recusals: Judge Mary Langer and Maribel Saimre.

Adjournment

Amy Woolard made the motion to adjourn; the motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The Meeting adjourned at 11:29 am.

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Final Minutes

DAY 1 1:00PM-3:00PM September 28th

Members Present

Shelly Baker-Scott
Marilyn Brown
Ngan Bui
Lorenzo Collins
Alana Corn
John Dougherty
Keith Farmer, **Chair**
Morgan Faulkner
Joseph Gong
Kim Gretes (for David Johnson)
Anthony Jackson
Malcolm King (for DBHDS)
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Paul Taylor
Lawrence Webb
Niyah White
Delegate Rodney Willett

Members Absent

Victoria Baldwin
Mary Langer
Rick White
Elaine Williams
Amy Woolard

DCJS Staff Present

Ed Holmes, Juvenile Justice Program Analyst
Greg Hopkins, Juvenile Justice Specialist
Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile and Child Welfare Section
Ken Stables, Compliance Monitoring Specialist

Guests

Colleen Grady, Legislative Assistant, Delegate Rodney Willett

Shaliana McFarland, Post-Dispositional Detention Program Coordinator, Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Center
Juvenile Participant, Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Center

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Keith Farmer at 1:07PM

Introduction of Members: Keith Farmer asked all in attendance to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes

The April 15, 2020, meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Marilyn Brown to approve the minutes. Anthony Jackson seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously by roll call vote.

DCJS Updates

Ken Stables provided the ACJJP with an update on the monitoring of facilities for compliance with the JJDP Act. Mr. Stables also shared with the ACJJP that Virginia received its determination letter from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention indicating that Virginia has been found to be in full compliance. Greg Hopkins provided an overview of Juvenile Services activity since the last ACJJP meeting to include the review and awarding of Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grants. DCJS awarded CESF grant funds to over 20 juvenile justice and child serving entities across the state. The funding's purpose was to assist local agencies in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus pandemic.

Member Update

Keith Farmer allowed ACJJP member to provide a brief agency or affiliation updates

Planning Overview

Keith Farmer gave an overview of the three-year planning process to include the purpose and priority setting. Mr. Farmer gave a preview of the presentations for the next two days of juvenile justice three-year planning.

Juvenile Interviews

Marilyn Brown, Superintendent of the Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Center, introduced the juvenile who agreed to be interviewed, along with the facility staff, Ms. Shaliana McFarland, the Post-Dispositional Program Coordinator. Ms. McFarland initiated the interview with an explanation of the purpose with the juvenile participant. The juvenile interview covered three areas, community resources, court process and programming. The juvenile participant answered 17 questions relating to the three focus areas.

Public Comment

There was no public comment during this meeting.

Adjournment

Lorenzo Collins made the motion to adjourn; Morgan Faulkner seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:45PM.

DAY 2 1:00PM-3:00PM September 29th

Members Present

Shelly Baker-Scott
Marilyn Brown
Ngan Bui
Lorenzo Collins
Alana Corn
John Dougherty
Keith Farmer, **Chair**
Morgan Faulkner
Joseph Gong
Kim Gretes (for David Johnson)
Anthony Jackson
Malcolm King (for DBHDS)
Julie McConnell, **Vice-Chair**
Linda McWilliams (for DJJ)
Senator Joseph Morrissey
Sable Nelson (for VDH)
Samuel Perez
Toni Randall
Maribel Saimre (for DOE)
Lawrence Webb
Niyah White
Rick White

Members Absent

Victoria Baldwin
Mary Langer
Delegate Rodney Willett
Elaine Williams
Amy Woolard

DCJS Staff Present

Thomas Fitzpatrick, Programs and Services Division Director
Ed Holmes, Juvenile Justice Program Analyst
Greg Hopkins, Juvenile Justice Specialist
Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile and Child Welfare Section
Ken Stables, Compliance Monitoring Specialist

Guest

Kim Simon, SRO/SSO Program Coordinator, Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety
Rachael Deane, Just Children, Legal Director, Legal Aid Justice Center
Colleen Grady, Legislative Assistant, Delegate Rodney Willett

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by Keith Farmer at 1:00PM

Presentations

Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety: School Resource Officer Program

Kim Simon, SRO/SSO Training and Program Coordinator with the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety (VCSCS), provided the ACCJP an overview of the Virginia School Resource Officer program. She also shared with the ACJJP the results of the secondary school climate survey.

Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice: Youth Profile

Linda McWilliams, Deputy Director of Community Programs, Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), provided an overview of the current Youth Profile through six focus areas: Intake, Probation, Detention, Direct Care, Parole and Recidivism.

Legal Aid Justice Center: Juvenile Advocacy

Rachael Deane, Just Children's Legal Director, provided an overview of the Legal Aid Justice Center's juvenile justice advocacy work in Virginia. Ms. Deane shared data on Racial and Ethnic Disparities, highlighting LAJC's work on Disorderly Conduct and school suspension. Additionally, Ms. Deane reviewed LAJC priority areas, specifically addressing alternatives to school policing, removal of fines and fees in the juvenile system, and the completion of juvenile justice transformation.

Adjournment

Lorenzo Collins made the motion to adjourn; Rick White seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:48PM.

DAY 3 10:00AM-12:00PM October 1, 2020

Members Present

Shelly Baker-Scott
Marilyn Brown
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Lorenzo Collins
Alana Corn
John Dougherty
Keith Farmer, **Chair**
Joseph Gong
Anthony Jackson
Malcolm King (for DBHDS)
Julie McConnell, **Vice-Chair**
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Delegate Rodney Willett
Amy Woolard

Members Absent

Victoria Baldwin
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David Johnson
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Toni Randall
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DCJS Staff Present

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Greg Hopkins, Juvenile Justice Specialist
Laurel Marks, Manager, Juvenile and Child Welfare Section
Ken Stables, Compliance Monitoring Specialist

Guest

Colleen Grady, Legislative Assistant, Delegate Rodney Willett

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Keith Farmer at 1:08PM

Three-year plan review and projections

Greg Hopkins provided the ACJJP with an overview of recent programs and projects, including Title II grant-funded programs, the Valid Court Order (VCO) Exception Workgroup, work done to address Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED), and VCO and Status Offenders workshops and presentations. Additionally, Mr. Hopkins provided the ACJJP details on the grant program sustainability initiative to assist local projects with sustaining their projects beyond the grant.

Priority Setting

Mr. Hopkins reviewed the current Three-year Plan priorities. ACJJP members participated in an interactive survey to provide feedback on the most pressing issues in juvenile justice, along with prioritizing the current juvenile justice priority order. Members will be asked to approve the three-year plan priorities at their November meeting.

2021 Meeting Schedule

Keith Farmer provided ACJJP members with future meeting dates:

Tuesday: November 17, 2020

10AM-12:00PM

Tuesday: January 26, 2021

10AM-12PM

Tuesday: April 13, 2021

10AM-12PM

Tuesday: September 14, 2021

10AM-12PM

Public Comment

No public Comment

Adjournment

Julie McConnell made the motion to adjourn; Shelly Baker-Scott seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:15AM.