

**Juvenile Crime Prevention
Council**



154 Government Center Drive
Meeting Room A246
Mocksville, NC 27028
October 11, 2024
12:00 PM

MINUTES

Davie County - Juvenile Crime Prevention Council

1. Call Meeting to Order

Welcome Members & Guests - Recognize new member, Rev. James Grant. Have everyone introduce themselves.

The meeting was called to order at 12:13 pm by Julie Parker, Vice Chair.

Members in attendance: Ethan Carter, Cindy Chapman, Jackie Copeland, Cindy Ellis, Benita Finney, Rev. James Grant, Luke Harris, Barbara Owens, Julie Parker (proxy for Rob Taylor, and Allie Fruits), Crystal Robertson, Clyde Scott, Brittany Travis, Jackie White (proxy for Jennifer Custer).

Staff to council & guests in attendance: Scott Stoker (area consultant), Karen Gordon (JCPC admin), Dan Wanta (DJJDP), Tony Renegar (DJJDP), Jessica Lemons (Piedmont Mediation), Jovan Miller (Piedmont Mediation), Kelly Lopez-Hernandez (Aspire), Kena Gentry (Children's Center NWNC), Teralyn Cheney (YMCA).

2. Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2024

Jackie Copeland made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Jackie White and the motion carried.

3. Update From Area Consultant Scott Stoker

a. Client Count/Tracking by agencies as of 10/7/2024

Discuss YASI Data

Scott went over the Client Tracking Report dated 10/7/2024. Following is that data:

Program	Amount estimated to Serve	Youth Served	Youth Admitted FY 24-25	DJJ Referred Youth
Aspire Youth & Families: Kids at Work!	18	13	3	13
Aspire Youth & Families: Restitution/Community Service	20	3	3	3
Davie Sentencing Circles	32	9	1	5

Davie Strengthening Families	5	1	1	1
Davie YMCA-Tutoring	15	5	5	1
TOTAL	90	31	13	23

He then went over the YASI Data with the Council. He mentioned that this data will be used by the Risk & Needs Committee meeting to decide which programs need to be advertised in the FY 25-26 Request for Proposal. The goal is for the Committee to present their decision at the November JCPC meeting so that the Council can vote on the RFP that same day. The RFP would then be advertised in the first week of January 2025.

Scott reported that Montreat College completed a North Carolina Teen Court Evaluation and there were three takeaways from the evaluation: 1)Through North Carolina Teen Courts, about 70% were referred by other referral sources (SRO's, etc.) and 30% were referred from juvenile justice. 2) Youth that successfully complete Teen Courts are 49.03% less likely to recidivate than those that are diverted through another program. 3)Youth that successfully complete Teen Courts are 46.85% less likely to recidivate than those that are processed through juvenile court.

He also mentioned the following legislative information:

House Bill 186, S.L. 2023-114 passed August 2023. Effective January 1, 2025, this law establishes juvenile court remediation procedures for juveniles who "...when, by reason of mental disorder, intellectual disability, neurological disorder, traumatic or acquired brain injury or developmental immaturity, the juvenile is unable to understand the nature and object of the proceedings against the juvenile, to comprehend the juvenile's own situation in reference to the proceedings, or to assist in the juvenile's own defense in a rational or reasonable manner".

House Bill 834, S.L. 2024-117 passed June 2024. Effective December 1, 2024, this law provides flexibility to charge juveniles charged with Class A-E felonies as adults. Instead of cases beginning in Juvenile Court Services, juveniles age 16 or 17 with these charges go directly to adult court and these juveniles will continue to be housed within Juvenile Justice facilities. There will be an expunction of charges for all remanded or removed charges. There is added language to the school notification of alleged or found delinquent that allows the principal to make an individualized decision related to the status of the student during the pendency of the matter and not have an automatic suspension policy. The bill also provides increased punishment for individuals who solicit another person to commit a felony. In addition, this bill made minor technical corrections (wording) to two remediation subsections in House Bill 186, S.L. 2023-114.

4. Reports from Agencies

a. Truancy Court - Report by Aubrey Draughn

There was not a report for Truancy Court.

b. Aspire Youth & Family - Report by Kelly Lopez-Hernandez

Kids at Work - Count at beginning of month was 11, Number of Admissions was 0, Successful or satisfactory completions was 0, Ending count was 11. They have served 13 YTD. They have 1 open referral awaiting intake and 2 on the wait list.

Vocational Directions - Count at beginning of month was 3, Number of Admissions was 0, Successful or satisfactory completions was 1, Ending count was 2. They have served 3 YTD. Youth are expeditiously completing their community service hours.

c. Childrens Center of Surry - Report by Kena Gentry

They received 1 referral from the juvenile court counselors at DJJ, and have 1 open referral. Meetings with the family are at their home weekly on Wednesday at 5:30pm.

d. Piedmont Mediation - Report by Jovan Miller

Jovan Miller that they had 2 Truancy Circles that were closed out at the end of September.

They have 1 Active Circle, 2 Pending and will be conducting circles soon, 2 Truancy Circles that are going to be held 10/9, and 8 have been Terminated in 24-25. They are working with Aspire to hold training for those volunteering for the circles so they will know the process.

They have one adult volunteer and some youth volunteers from Early College who are eager to volunteer and will also be attending the training.

e. YMCA of Davie - Report by Teralyn Cheney

Teralyn Cheney, Program Coordinator, reported that the YMCA held the following program activities on the listed dates in September: Sept. 3rd Activity: Card Games, SEL: Social Situation Cards, Snacks; 5th - SEL: Positive Self Talk & Meet the Tutors; 10th Activity: Rock Wall, SEL: Social Situation Cards, Tutoring - Math; 12th Tutoring Only - Math & SS, Snacks; 17th SEL: Circle of Control, Tutoring - Math, Snacks; 19th SEL: Growth & Fixed Mindset with Post-it reminders, Tutoring - Math & SS, Snacks; 24th Smoothie Bike & Tutoring - Math; 26th SEL: Goal Setting, Tutoring - Math & SS, Snacks.

They have received 16 referrals. There are 7 active participants, 6 spaces available, two open referrals pending orientation. One youth failed to attend any activities post orientation (he had a schedule conflict with work). They have used 33.4% of their budget. There have been some changes in employees working for the program: Teralyn Cheney is the Program Coordinator.

Joey Davis is a Tutor and is a Teacher and Principal in Training Early College DDCC Hybrid-High School; Jennifer Miller is a Tutor and Teacher with South Davie Middle School. They are planning to hold a Family activity (1 of 4). Program Goals and Monitoring for the upcoming month: Individualized Service Plan for each Individual and Collaboration with School Counselors to build more support.

5. Old Business

a. Conflict of Interest Forms for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

Karen Gordon gave Conflict of Interest forms to the new members and any that had not already completed one. They were asked to complete them and return them at the end of the meeting.

b. Additional Appointments to Committees for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

i) Risk & Needs Committee - Current members: Jackie Copeland, Jackie White, Brittany Travis, Luke Harris, Rob Taylor and/or Julie Parker, JD Hartman, Andreana Leverette

ii) Monitoring Committee - Current members are Rob Taylor, Julie Parker, Barbara Owens, Tony Renegar

Cindy Ellis agreed to join the Monitoring Committee

iii) Funding Committee - Current members are Cindy Chapman, Benita Finney, Rob Taylor, Julie Parker, Ethan Carter, Barbara Owens, JD Hartman

6. New Business

a. Set meeting for Risk and Needs Committee

It was agreed that the Risk & Needs Committee will meet Nov. 8th at 10:00am prior to the JCPC meeting at noon that same day.

7. JCPC Council Vacancies

Charlie Bonilla applied for Under 21 position. Hannah Mattingly may be applying for JCPC member.

8. Meeting Dates for 2024-2025

November 8, 2025: January 10, March 14, April 11, May 9

9. Announcements

The next JCPC meeting will be Nov, 8th.

10. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 12:52 pm