



CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

Regular Meeting held March 18, 2026

Governmental Center, Concord NC

MINUTES

MEMBERS ATTENDING IN PERSON:

Gayle Alston	Adrian Attaway	Steven Ayers	Megan Baumgardner
Sonja Bohannon Thacker	Carolyn Carpenter	Holly Edwards Thrift	Steve Grossman
Megan Huffman	Henrietta Jackson	Amy Jewell	Jeff Jones
Meghan Kabat-Newcomer	Rekita McDuffie	Heather Mobley	Aalece Pugh
Malisha Ross	A Santana-Chisholm	Ashlie Shanley	

MEMBERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY: Travis Burke, Taylor Holman-White, Michelle Wilson, Eric Young

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rosemary Gause, Eshan Korat, Lakesha Steele

VACANT COUNCIL SEATS: None

JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Daniel Seigny, Joanie Bischer

GUESTS ATTENDING IN PERSON: Quanitta Brooks (TYM), Erin Buell (DJJ), Kim Castano (Aspire), John Craven (DJJ), Rebecca Efird (DJJ), Douglas Greene (A.R.I.S.E.), Maxine Greene (A.R.I.S.E.), Nicole Jenkins (Aspire), Larry Jones (Families First), Heather Jones (TYM), Gracie Knight (Families First), Kristen McEvoy (CRC), Reggie McNeil (TYM), Sarimar Miller (DJJ), Glenn Smith (LCC), Mary Swayze (CRC), Shemika Wood (DJJ), Parnell Woods (DJJ)

GUESTS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY: Kim Olige (YSF), Karen South Jones (RCYSB)

CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE

Chair Megan Baumgardner welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:36 AM. Quorum was confirmed with 23 of 26 members in attendance. Nineteen members were seated in person and four members joined via MS Teams. Megan then opened the floor to conduct the following routine business:

- Discussion or a motion was requested regarding JCPC’s February 18 meeting minutes. When no comments were heard, Vice Chair Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Officer Attaway seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Discussion or a motion was requested regarding February 11 CRC Teen Court/Truancy Court monitoring minutes. When no comments were heard, Carolyn Carpenter motioned to approve the minutes as written. Heather Mobley seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Discussion or a motion was requested regarding February 26 TYM Transforming Futures monitoring minutes. When no comments were heard, Malisha Ross motioned to approve the minutes as written. Holly Edwards Thrift seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

- Discussion or a motion was requested regarding March 12 Allocations Committee meeting minutes. When no comments were heard, Malisha Ross motioned to approve the minutes as written. Heather Mobley seconded. Motion passed without opposition
- Discussion or approval regarding the agenda as presented. The Chair advised that *Programs Monthly Reports* were suspended this meeting to accommodate *FY 26-27 Funding Presentations*. The withdrawal of CRC's Teen Court Budget Revision was also noted. When no further comments were heard, Ashlie Shanley motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Malisha Ross seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT

The Chair yielded the floor to Daniel Sevigny who advised that CRC's Truancy Court Mediation submitted a budget revision consisting of \$330 in line item adjustments for language interpreter services. Megan called for discussion or a motion on the request. Hearing no comments, Malisha Ross motioned to approved CRC's budget revision as presented. Ashlie Shanley seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

Daniel advised that client tracking data looks good for Cabarrus programs. Of the 296 youth estimated to be served this FY, 200 have been served as of March 2. DJJ has referred 99 youth. Programs appear to have no major issues at this time. Daniel noted that JCPC's April 15 meeting involves funding votes and requested members to consider whether their COI disclosures require changes since they were initially submitted. Members should members the admin as soon as possible if changes are needed. Daniel also mentioned that DPS has a small amount of discretionary funds available this FY for eligible programs. He referred members to the *DPS Talking Points* in the meeting packet for other information and announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair advised that the Allocations & Funding Committee will meet again on March 26 to develop funding recommendations for the full council's consideration at the April 15 meeting. All were welcomed to join. The Chair then yielded the floor to Carolyn Carpenter who spoke on student scholarships available through the Salvation Army and the Cabarrus County Agriculture Fair Board.

PRESENTATION OF MONITORING REPORTS

At this time the Chair yielded the floor to Officer Attaway who reported on CRC's Teen Court and Truancy Court Mediation monitoring conducted February 11. He advised that a follow-up by the Area Consultant was found unnecessary for either program. Chair Megan then reported on TYM's Transforming Futures monitoring held February 26. She also noted that a follow-up by the Area Consultant was not required for Transforming Futures' components.

FY 26-27 FUNDING APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS / COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS

The Chair noted that Cabarrus JCPC is midway through its first two-year funding cycle that began this FY. Regarding the agenda's order of funding applicants, Megan identified two programs funded for two years that seek additional dollars next FY (Aspire and Families First), a new program (LCC Inc. *A.R.I.S.E.*), and two programs funded for only one year in FY 25-26 (CRC and TYM). Programs that were funded for two years and made no additional funding request were not required to present to the council because their FY 26-27 Program Agreements were unchanged. The Chair then yielded the floor for presentations. Following each one, agency representatives responded to multiple questions and comments from council members.

- *Aspire Kids at Work* by Nicole Jenkins and Kim Castano, requesting \$14,100;
- *Families First Strengthening Families* by Gracie Knight and Larry Jones, requesting \$6,510;
- *LCC Inc. A.R.I.S.E.* by Glenn Smith and Douglas Greene, requesting \$57,939;

- CRC *Truancy Court Mediation* by Kristen McEvoy, requesting \$27,650; and
- TYM *Transforming Futures* by Reggie McNeil and Heather Jones, requesting \$164,208.

At the conclusion of presentations, Daniel advised that two new programs who applied for funding were ineligible for consideration due to failing to meet RFP requirements. One application was submitted after the 5 PM deadline. A representative of other program did not attend a mandatory RFP information session. Daniel noted that total funds requested next FY is \$530,826. This amount excludes the two ineligible programs and also exceeds Cabarrus County’s annual DPS allocation of \$459,927. With \$244,919 already allocated in FY 26-27, the balance of \$215,008 remains to be allocated. Chair Megan then welcomed everyone to attend the March 26 Allocations Committee meeting when funding recommendations will be developed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chair opened the floor for comments from members of the public. There were none.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

The Chair opened the floor for comments from members. Steve Ayers spoke on the 20th Annual McGill Baptist Church BBQ and Fundraiser on March 27.

ADJOURNMENT

Megan reminded everyone that the April 15 meeting will likely run long due to funding decisions. Quorum will be required. Hearing no further comments, the Chair called for a motion. Gayle Alston motioned to adjourn. Carolyn Carpenter seconded. Motion carried without opposition. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 AM.

-Submitted by Joanie Bischer

Acronyms

1. A.R.I.S.E. = Achieving Resilience and Inspiring Self-Expression
2. COI = Conflict of Interest Disclosure Forms
3. CRC = Conflict Resolution Center Inc. of Cabarrus County
4. DJJ = Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
5. FY = Fiscal Year (JCPC’s fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30)
6. LCC = Life Connections of the Carolinas Inc.
7. RFP = Request for Proposals
8. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement Inc.
9. YSF = Youth Style Fitness Inc.