



CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

March 16, 2022 – Regular Meeting (via Webex)

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

LaShay Avery	Steven Ayers	Megan Baumgardner	Sonja Bohannon-Thacker
Mark Boles	Carolyn Carpenter	Beth Downs	Perry Gabriel
Matthew Greer	Steve Grossman	Rodney Harris	Brian Heintz
Amy Jewell	Marta Meares	Heather Mobley	Steve Morris
Connie Philbeck	Sharon Reese	Beth Street	David Wall
Michelle Wilson			

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joy Butler, Jamica LaFranque, Terry Wise

VACANT COUNCIL SEATS: Two youth under age 21; or one youth under age 21 and one member of the public representing the interests of families of at-risk youth

JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Daniel Sevigny, Joanie Bischer

OTHERS PRESENT: Darryl Bego (YDI), Kim Castano (Aspire), Shannon Chambers (TYM), Sheryl Conrad, Bryan Dupree (Pinnacle Family Services), Pam Escobar, Emma Flores (TYM), Douglas Greene (KRE8ivU), Rachel Grossman-Zack (Guardian ad Litem District Administrator), James Haythe (TYM), Anissa Jones (Teen Court), Karen South Jones (SOSET), John J. Kirkpatrick IV (TYM), Kristen McEvoy (Teen Court), Reggie McNeil (TYM), Sarimar Miller (Juvenile Court Counselor Supervisor), Jodi Ramirez (Cabarrus Co Law Enforcement Liaison), Chef Kimberly Townsend (Aspire), Claude Whitfield (TYM), Parnell Woods (Juvenile Court Counselor)

CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Megan Baumgardner at 7:31 a.m. Megan welcomed members and guests. Attendance was taken silently via Webex participant sign-in. A quorum was established. Twenty-one of 24 Council members were present.

Vote to Approve February 2022 Meeting Minutes

Megan advised that February minutes were included in the meeting packet emailed March 9. She asked if anyone had corrections or additions. No comments were heard or seen. Mark Boles motioned to approve the February minutes as written. David Wall seconded. Motion to approve the February minutes as written carried without opposition.

Vote to Approve Allocation & Funding Committee Meeting Minutes

Megan advised that minutes from the Allocation & Funding Committee (A&F) meeting held March 3 were also included in the meeting packet. She asked if anyone had corrections or additions. No comments were heard or

seen. Mark motioned to approve the Committee minutes as written and David seconded. Motion to approve the A&F Committee minutes as written carried without opposition.

Vote to Approve March 2022 Agenda

Megan and Daniel Sevigny advised that three budget revisions were submitted: two from Youth Development Initiatives (YDI); and one from Rowan County Youth Services Bureau Sex Offenders Specific Evaluation & Treatment (SOSET). Megan suggested today's agenda be amended by adding budget revisions under *New Business* as Item A, thereby moving program presentations to Item B. She called for discussion or comments. None were heard or seen. Sonja Bohannon-Thacker motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Perry Gabriel seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as amended carried without opposition.

UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT

Daniel noted the expired March 15 deadline for requests for discretionary funds. He stated a few requests were submitted and are now under review. None were from Cabarrus County. He mentioned the March 25 deadline to complete Third Quarter Accounting, which includes DPS review, release, and DocuSign signatures. He had previously requested submissions be done by March 15. He stated that to his knowledge, all Cabarrus County programs were submitted and completed by that date.

For JCPCs and providers, Daniel reported there is a three-month hiatus on DPS data requests due to overloads at the research station resulting in technical issues. During this period, written requests for data must be made through Area Consultants to ensure technological glitches do not result in an inaccurate communication of data.

Regarding the Research Brief included in the March meeting packet, Daniel advised it provides data on the increase in NC's juvenile detention population as a result of *Raise the Age* implemented in December 2019. He briefly discussed the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's System Reform Grant, awarded to NC DPS in FY 2021. It will focus on the Juvenile Justice System Detention Assessment Tool, YASI, and a Restorative Justice Pilot in a YDC. He noted the Methodist Home for Children will be used to alleviate excess populations at YDCs.

Lastly, Daniel mentioned that programs will now be prompted every six months to update their entries in NCALLIES' Service Directory. Providers will receive automated emails from the Service Directory to review contact information so it remains current. Megan then asked if anyone had questions for Daniel. None were heard or seen.

OLD BUSINESS

Megan next opened the floor regarding a return to in-person meetings. Following discussion, the consensus was to meet in person in April. Megan advised that attendees are welcome to wear masks and maintain social distancing. The Governmental Center's Multi-Purpose Room, the Milestone Building's Conference Room, and the Sheriff Department's 7th Floor Multi-Purpose Rooms were mentioned as possible venues. Council will be notified in advance of the April meeting regarding location.

Megan requested that the second A&F meeting be scheduled before Council's regular monthly meeting in April. Given the high level of productivity in the first A&F meeting, she suggested the second A&F meeting also be virtual. Multiple dates were offered. The group settled on Wednesday, April 6 at 8 a.m. Webex information and an updated funding worksheet will be provided in advance. All Council members, providers, and the public are welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

Megan yielded the floor to Daniel who reported that the budget revisions received following Third Quarter Accounting reviews were primarily line item adjustments due to code changes to DPS' Chart of Accounts. The code changes became effective in February and budget revisions were necessary to ensure existing funds are captured in the correct categories. None of the requests involved additional funding.

YDI Budget Revision Requests and Council Votes

Darryl Bego requested the following revision to YDI's Family Life Skills Academy (FLA) budget: Decrease Line Item 220-Food by \$263 in order to increase Line Item 180-Taxes by \$263 to cover a shortage.

Darryl also requested revisions to YDI's Vocational & Career Development (V&C) Academy budget. He asked that Line Item 390-Vocational Instructor be decreased by \$5,544 in order to: (a) Increase Line Item 180-Taxes by \$144 to cover a shortage; (b) Establish Line Item 290-Token Rewards with \$1,920; (c) Establish Line Item 390-Work Stipends with \$2,400; and (d) Establish Line Item 380-Accounting/Bookkeeping with \$1,080.

After Daniel responded to Council's questions, Megan opened the floor for motions on each YDI request. Mark motioned to approve FLA's budget revision as presented. Connie Philbeck seconded. Megan called for Council votes verbally or via chat. With no further discussion, motion to approve FLA's \$263 budget revision as presented carried without opposition.

Before the floor was opened for motions regarding V&C Academy's budget revision, Daniel indicated the motion should include the previously-discussed modification to FLA's Food Justification formula. Connie motioned to approve V&C Academy's budget revision as presented and the modification to FLA's Food Justification formula. Michelle Wilson seconded. Council voted verbally or via chat. With no further discussion, motion to approve V&C Academy's \$5,544 budget revision as presented, and the modification to FLA's Food Justification formula, carried without opposition.

SOSET Budget Revision and Vote

Karen South Jones requested a revision to SOSET's budget to decrease Line Item 330-Utilities by \$3 in order to increase Line Item 450-Insurance by \$3 to cover a shortage on an actual insurance premium. Daniel explained this is a line item adjustment only due to Third Quarter Accounting reviews. Hearing and seeing no comments or questions, Megan opened the floor for motions. Perry Gabriel motioned to approve the budget revision as presented. Connie seconded. Council voted verbally or via chat. With no further discussion, motion to approve SOSET's \$3 budget revision as presented carried without opposition.

Presentations from FY 2022-23 Program Applicants

Megan explained the format for this portion of the meeting. Each provider was allotted five minutes per program component. She provided a two-minute warning before time expired. At the conclusion of each presentation, Megan posed general questions developed for all programs by the A&F Committee, in addition to the specific questions developed for individual programs. All Council members were permitted to ask questions. Program presentations were completed in the following order:

1. **Kim Castano** of Aspire Cabarrus presented **Kids at Work**, a culinary arts training program.
2. **Douglas Greene** with KRE8ivU presented Aspire Cabarrus' **The Connection**, a music production training program.
3. **Kristen McEvoy** of Conflict Resolution Center presented **Teen Court**.
4. **Karen South Jones** of Rowan County Youth Services Bureau presented **SOSET**.

5. **Shannon Chambers** of Transforming Youth Movement (TYM) presented **Fostering Solutions**.
6. **Emma Flores** of TYM presented **Get Hired-Youth Employability**.
7. **John J. Kirkpatrick IV** of TYM presented **SHIFT Restitution and Community Service**.
8. **James Haythe** of TYM presented **SHIFT Mentoring**.
9. **Reggie McNeill** of TYM presented **Community Resiliency Model (CRM)/TYM Wellness Skills**.
10. **Darryl Bego** of YDI presented **Vocational & Career Development Academy** and **Family Life Skills Academy**.

Following this portion of the meeting, Megan stated that the A&F Committee had also prepared Court Counselor-related questions for David and Saudi Miller. Given time constraints, she suggested these questions be posed during the next meeting. There was no opposition to this suggestion. Megan asked if there were further comments or questions about program applications. Daniel advised that Procure Agency, an applicant new to Cabarrus JCPC, withdrew its three applications subsequent to the first A&F meeting.

UPDATES FROM PROGRAMS / COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS FOR PROGRAMS

Reggie announced that TYM's first annual golf outing and fundraiser is scheduled for May 1. Details will be forthcoming. He described the outing as a "four-man scramble, best ball" event and invited Council members to attend and anyone who enjoys the game and wants to learn about youth programs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Megan opened the floor for public comments. Via chat, Rachel Grossman-Zack communicated, "It was great to learn about all these programs."

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Via chat, Mark and Connie expressed appreciation to programs for their presentations and their service to youth and families. Megan also thanked Council members for their patience and participation in today's lengthy meeting. She reminded Council that the second A&F meeting will be virtual and the regular April meeting will be in person. Information relevant to each meeting will be provided advance via email.

ADJOURNMENT

Megan called for final comments. Hearing and seeing none, she opened the floor for motions. Mark motioned to adjourn. Brian Heintz and Michelle simultaneously seconded. With no further comments or opposition to the motion, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

Submitted by Joanie Bischer