



CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

Regular Meeting held April 19, 2023

Governmental Center, Concord NC

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Adrian Attaway	LaShay Avery	Steven Ayers	Megan Baumgardner
Sonja Bohannon-Thacker	Mark Boles	Mikayla Branch	Travis Burke
Carolyn Carpenter	Ashley Fitch	Matthew Greer	James Howden
Amy Jewell	Heather Jones	Marta Meares	Heather Mobley
Connie Philbeck	Sharon Reese	Ashlie Shanley	Christy Wilhelm
Michelle Wilson	Terry Wise		

MEMBERS ABSENT: Emily Coltrane, Jamica LaFranque, Chris Measmer, and Jacob Wentink

VACANT COUNCIL SEATS: None

JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Daniel Seigny (DPS Area Consultant) and Joanie Bischer (Admin)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Darryl Bego (YDI); Shannon Chambers (TYM); Sheryl Conrad (DJJ); David Highsmith II (DJJ); Susan Jolley (Aspire); Anissa Jones (CRC); Kristen McEvoy (CRC); Reggie McNeil (TYM); Sarimar Miller (DJJ); Kim Olige (Youth Style Fitness); Jeannie Sherrill (Families First NC); Karen South Jones (RCYSB); Chef Kimberly Townsend (Aspire)

CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE

Chair Megan Baumgardner called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m. and welcomed members and guests. Quorum was established with 22 of 26 members present. Megan then opened the floor for discussion or motions on the following votes:

March 15 Meeting Minutes Heather Mobley motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Vice Chair Mark Boles seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

March 29 Allocation & Funding Committee Meeting Minutes Mark motioned to approve the Minutes as written and Heather Mobley seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Heather Mobley motioned to approve the Agenda as presented and Mark seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Megan next encouraged members to review *Need to Know* information on Page Two of the Agenda. She stated questions are welcome at any point during the meeting.

UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT

Daniel Sevigny asked members to review all information in the *DPS Talking Points*. He stated there were no issues with Third Quarter Accounting although several budget revisions were required. Program spending appears on track with the exception of Fostering Solutions, which was discussed later in the meeting. Daniel encouraged members to consider attending the RYCNC Lunch & Learn sessions for Restorative Justice. He also announced that a final New Member Orientation is scheduled May 4. Access to all virtual sessions was included in the *Talking Points* and Page Two of the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

Megan announced that new Council member Emily Coltrane was confirmed by the BOC during its March 20 meeting. Emily will serve as the Chief Court Counselor Designee.

NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

Budget Revisions from FY 2022-23 Programs Daniel presented four requests in the following order:

- **Teen Court** requested a contracted service adjustment to establish contracts with a new accountant and interpreter services. Megan called for discussion or a motion. Sonja Bohannon-Thacker motioned to approve the revision as presented. Jim Howden and Marta Meares seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **SOSE** requested a line item adjustment as required per Third Quarter Accounting. Insurance budget was increased \$13 due to actual premium expenditures and was offset by a \$13 decrease to meeting expense. Megan called for discussion or a motion. Michelle Wilson motioned to approve the revision as presented. Amy Jewell seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **Aspire** requested line item adjustments in the amount of \$2,839 to increase budgets for food, transportation, travel, data processing, accounting, staff training, rental, insurance, and grant subscriptions due to Third Quarter Accounting. Those increases were offset by reductions in line items for staff hours, associated fringe benefits, and repairs. Megan called for discussion or a motion. Ashlie Shanley motioned to approve the revisions as presented. Heather Mobley seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- **YDI-FLA** requested to change Use of Space In-Kind Match to Volunteer In-Kind match to satisfy the FY requirement of \$15,808. A line item adjustment to decrease Token Rewards by \$1,434 and increase Mileage by the same amount was requested to cover a shortfall. YDI-FLA also requested a contracted service adjustment to its FY 2022-23 Program Agreement to include “online virtual training” in the Service Description Narrative, and “Zoom” as a Service Location. Discussion followed around in-person and virtual services. Afterward, Megan called for further discussion or a motion. Michelle motioned to approve the revisions as requested. Sonja seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Requests for In-County Transfer of Funds Daniel advised that the early termination of Fostering Solutions Crisis Beds will result in unspent dollars being returned to JCPC for in-county disbursement. He also explained the urgency in obtaining Council and BOC approval to meet DPS’ May 1 deadline. Daniel provided details of requests for in-county fund transfers from TYM’s Get Hired and Shift Mentoring programs and also YDI’s Vocational & Career Development Academy. Pending approval from Council and the BOC, TYM could receive \$6,100 and YDI could receive \$6,750 from reverted funds.

Before taking further action, Daniel requested a Council vote on the budget revision due to Fostering Solutions’ shutdown. Megan then called for discussion or a motion. Michelle motioned to approve the required revision and Carolyn Carpenter seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Megan called for discussion or a motion on TYM’s request for in-county transfer of funds. Connie Philbeck motioned to approve and LaShay Avery seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Megan called for discussion or a motion on YDI’s request for in-county transfer of funds. LaShay motioned to approve and Connie seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Daniel next requested a Council vote regarding required modifications to the FY 2022-23 County Funding Plan as required by the approved transfers of in-county funds. Megan called for discussion or a motion. Sonja motioned to approve and Marta seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously. The modified Funding Plan will be presented to the BOC for consideration during its May 1 work session.

Lastly, Daniel requested that if any Council member’s situation has changed regarding potential or perceived conflicts since he/she signed this FY’s COI disclosure, the member should submit an updated disclosure. Members were asked to see Daniel if a blank disclosure was required. COI disclosures must be included in JCPC’s annual plan.

FY 2023-24 Funding Recommendation Megan opened the floor for discussion regarding the A&F Committee’s recommendations for next FY. Council was advised that the Committee developed two funding options after much deliberation and that the consensus to recommend Option 2 was not unanimous. Further deliberation among the full Council was encouraged. With the Committee’s funding worksheet visible on the MPR’s screen, the full Council:

- Discussed and debated the differences between the Options 1 and 2.
- Requested, discussed, and debated reasons for the A&F Committee’s allocations to individual programs and decisions not to fund three program applicants.
- Posed questions to various program representatives, each of whom responded.
- Considered various alternatives to Option 2.

Daniel mentioned other potential funding sources, such as a county cash match and DPI funds. At this point, the quorum had decreased from 22 to 18 after four members departed. Megan called for further discussion, questions, or a motion. Michelle motioned to approve the amended allocations below for the \$459,927 available DPS funds in FY 2023-24. Ashlie seconded.

JCPC Administration	\$15,500
Aspire-Cabarrus Kids at Work/The Connection	\$60,000
TYM Shift Mentoring	\$54,500
TYM Get Hired-Youth Employability	\$59,840
TYM SHIFT Restitution & Community Service	\$66,000
RCYSB Sex Offense Specific Evaluation	\$ 8,167
YDI Vocational & Career Development Academy	\$21,393
YDI Family Life Skills Academy	\$52,601
CRC Teen Court	\$76,177
CRC Truancy Mediation	\$ 0
Youth Style Fitness-Holistic Fitness	\$45,749
Families First NC Strengthening Families	\$ 0
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$ 0

Without further discussion, the motion carried with fourteen members voting yea and one member voting nay. The Chair and Vice Chair abstained. One member was required to abstain due to four absences this FY.

DPS Discretionary Dollars Available in FY 2022-23 Daniel advised that discretionary dollars are available for programs who can utilize the funds within specific DPS parameters and spend funds by June 30, 2023. Three programs applied: TYM, YDI, and JCPC Admin. A Council vote was required to allow programs to apply, with the understanding that if discretionary dollars are awarded, each program must submit budget revisions that will ultimately require modifications to the FY 22-23 county funding plan. Michelle motioned to allow the programs to apply. Ashlie seconded. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

PROGRAM REPORTS / COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS

At approximately 10:14 a.m., Megan suggested that program reports be tabled until the next meeting due to the time consumed while deliberating funding decisions. She called for discussion or a motion. Sonja motioned to defer program reports until the May meeting. Marta and Michelle seconded simultaneously. With no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Darryl Bego advised that he will appeal Council's FY 23-24 funding decision on behalf of YDI's Vocational & Career Development Academy. Reggie McNeil spoke about the difficulty for programs to serve youth, meet community needs, and retain good employees with limited resources. He expressed appreciation for everyone's efforts and his hope that the county will consider supporting at-risk youth programs.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Amy Jewell announced a Student & Family Mental Wellness Forum scheduled on May 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. Additional details will be provided via email.

ADJOURNMENT

Megan called for further comments, discussion, or a motion. Heather Mobley motioned to adjourn and Michelle seconded. The meeting then adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

-Submitted by Joanie Bischer

Key to Acronyms

1. A&F = Allocation & Funding
2. BOC = Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners
3. COI = Conflict of Interest
4. CRC = Conflict Resolution Center
5. DJJ = Division of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention
6. DPI = Department of Public Instruction
7. DPS = Department of Public Safety
8. FLA = YDI's Family Life Skills Academy
9. FY = Fiscal Year (JCPC's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30)
10. MPR = Multi-Purpose Room
11. RYCNC = Restoring Youth Coalition of North Carolina
12. SOSE = Sex Offense Specific Evaluation
13. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement
14. YDI = Youth Development Initiatives