



**CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting held November 15, 2023**  
**Governmental Center, Concord NC**  
**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gayle Alston	Adrian Attaway	Megan Baumgardner	Sonja Bohannon-Thacker
Ashley Fitch	Matthew Greer	Amy Jewell	Marta Meares
Chris Measmer	Heather Mobley	Connie Philbeck	Aalece Pugh-Lilly
Sharon Reese	Malisha Ross	Jacob Wentink	Christy Wilhelm
Terry Wise			

**MEMBER ATTENDING VIRTUALLY:** Carolyn Carpenter

<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	Steve Ayers	Mikayla Branch	Travis Burke
	Ashlie Shanley	Michelle Wilson	

**VACANT COUNCIL SEATS:** Member of the Business Community; Member At Large; Member of the Public Representing Families of At-Risk Youth

**JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT:** Daniel Sevigny and Joanie Bischer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rosemary Gause; Anissa Jones (CRC); Heather Jones (TYM); Karen South Jones (RCYSB); Kristen McEvoy (CRC); Reggie McNeil (TYM); Sarimar Miller (DJJ); Kim Olige (Youth Style Fitness); Kasshema Samuels (Aspire); Lakesha Steele

**CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE**

Chair Megan Baumgardner welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. Quorum was established with 18 of 23 members in attendance. With the votes of virtual attendee Carolyn Carpenter confirmed, the following votes were completed:

Approval of October 18 Meeting Minutes Corrections or a motion were requested. Gayle Alston motioned to approve the minutes as written. Judge Wilhelm and Marta Meares seconded simultaneously. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Membership & Nominations Committee Nov 2 Meeting Minutes Corrections or a motion were requested. The Committee’s Chair Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Committee member Gayle Alston seconded. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda Changes or a motion were requested. Judge Wilhelm motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Marta Meares seconded. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

## **UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT**

Daniel Sevigny referred to the *Client County/Tracking Data* included in the meeting packet and stated that referral numbers look good overall as the halfway mark of the FY approaches. He shared JCPC announcements, program information, and legislative updates. Daniel thanked members who volunteered for monitoring committees and asked committees to focus on youth who are failing to engage in services. He mentioned that the *JCPC Programs-Universal Referral Form* was included in the meeting packet and is also available from the DPS website. Questions about using the form should be directed to Daniel. Gayle Alston added that she is a member of the statewide committee to revise the form and requested any suggestions be sent to her.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Megan yielded the floor to Heather Mobley for an update on Council vacancies. Heather advised that during its last meeting, the Membership Committee agreed on the following nominations for the full Council's consideration: Melissa Dixon for Member of the Business Community; Lakesha Steele for Member of the Public representing Families of At-Risk Youth; and Rosemary Gause for Member at Large. It was noted that nominees had reconfirmed their willingness to serve following their presentations during the October meeting. Heather advised that Council could vote on the nominations as a slate if there were no objections. Hearing none, Megan opened the floor for discussion or a motion. Judge Wilhelm motioned to approve the Committee's recommendations. Officer Attaway and Dr. Pugh-Lilly seconded simultaneously. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously. The BOC will consider advisory board appointments in December.

## **NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS**

Megan opened the floor to discuss next FY's RFP. It was noted that Council reviewed the Cabarrus YASI report during the October meeting. Based on YASI data and anecdotal information, Council discussed current needs of youth, their families, and potential gaps in services. In addition to the comprehensive services contained in last year's RFP, the following targeted services were added to FY 24-25 RFP: Reducing weapon possession and use; enhancing parental skills, vocational development; and problematic sexual behaviors. A request for programs utilizing resiliency-based modalities was also included. Megan called for further discussion or a motion. Connie Philbeck motioned to approve the RFP as amended. Malisha Ross and Amy Jewell seconded simultaneously. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously. The RFP will be published on multiple websites from January 2 thru February 2, 2024. Websites links will be shared via email with council members, program representatives, members of the public, and anyone who expresses interest. Daniel mentioned that all program applicants are required to attend one virtual informational session in order to apply. Webex information will be included in the RFP.

Megan next opened the floor for a motion regarding JCPC's December 20 meeting. Connie Philbeck motioned to cancel. Ashley Fitch seconded. Without further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

## **PROGRAM REPORTS / COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS**

Verbal reports from program representatives proceeded as follows: TYM by Reggie McNeil and Heather Jones; Youth Style Fitness by Kim Olige; SOSE by Karen South Jones, Aspire Cabarrus by Kasshema Samuels; and Teen Court by Kristen McEvoy. Information provided included new referrals, youth served and terminated, prior and upcoming events, program partnerships, fundraisers, staffing, and success stories. Megan noted that Darryl Bego of YDI was unable to attend due to an emergency involving the agency's van. He provided written reports that were distributed post meeting to Council.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Dr. Pugh-Lilly advised that the county's collaborative strategic planning process is underway regarding the use of the opioid settlement funds received. Health Management Associates can join JCPC's January meeting if members are interested in participating. Multiple members indicated an interest.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further comments, the Chair called for a motion. Gayle Alston motioned to adjourn. Marta Meares seconded. With no opposition to the motion, the Chair thanked everyone for their time and wished them happy holidays. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

*-Submitted by Joanie Bischer*

### **Key to Acronyms**

1. BOC = Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners
2. CRC = Conflict Resolution Center
3. DJJ = Division of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention
4. DPS = Department of Public Safety
5. FY = Fiscal Year (JCPC's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30)
6. RFP = Request for Proposals (a document that notifies the public that proposals for JCPC programs are being solicited for DPS funding)
7. SOSE = Sex Offense Specific Evaluations
8. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement
9. YASI = Youth Assessment Screening Instrument (a pre-screening tool used by court services with juvenile referrals)
10. YDI = Youth Development Initiatives