

# CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL Regular Meeting held January 15, 2025 Governmental Center, Concord NC MINUTES

#### **MEMBERS ATTENDING IN PERSON:**

Adrian Attaway Steven Ayers Megan Baumgardner Sonja Bohannon-Thacker

Travis Burke Ashley Fitch Matthew Greer Megan Huffman Amy Jewell Marta Meares Chris Measmer Heather Mobley Aalece Pugh Malisha Ross Lakesha Steele Christy Wilhelm

Michelle Wilson

**MEMBERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY:** Gayle Alston and Ashlie Shanley

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carolyn Carpenter, Rosemary Gause, Meghan Kabat-Newcomer, Rekita McDuffie,

Connie Philbeck, and Roshini Selvakumar

**VACANT COUNCIL SEAT:** Member of the Business Community

JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Daniel Sevigny and Joanie Bischer

GUESTS ATTENDING IN PERSON: Chef Timothy Gray (Aspire); Ashley Henderson (MHA CC); David Highsmith II (DJJ); Anissa Jones (CRC); Karen South Jones (RCYSB); Larry Jones (Families First); Quanitta Kelly (TYM); Reggie McNeil (TYM); Kristen McEvoy (CRC); Sarimar Miller (DJJ); Kim Olige (YSF); Chef Kimberly Townsend (Aspire)

**GUESTS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY:** Barbara Baker (MHA CC); Douglas Greene (KRE8ivU); Maxine Greene (KRE8ivU); Latrese Hope; Jeff Phillips

### **CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE**

Chairperson Megan Baumgardner called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m. She welcomed everyone and confirmed a quorum was established. Nineteen of 25 members attended: 17 members in person; one member via MS Teams audio/video; and one member via MS Teams audio only.

<u>Approval of Nov 20 Meeting Minutes</u> Megan opened the floor for discussion or a motion regarding the November meeting minutes. Judge Wilhelm motioned to approve the minutes as written. Amy Jewell seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

<u>Approval of Jan 7 Membership & Nominations Committee Meeting Minutes</u> Megan opened the floor for discussion or a motion regarding the committee meeting minutes. Vice-Chairperson Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Dr. Aalece Pugh seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> Megan next called for changes or a motion regarding the agenda. Heather Mobley motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Measmer seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

## **UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT**

Daniel Sevigny referred members to *DPS January Talking Points* included in the meeting packet for client tracking numbers and an update on DPS' IIS (Level II) RFP. He added that Cabarrus JCPC's FY 25-26 RFP was posted January 3, and two mandatory information sessions were held. All currently funded Cabarrus JCPC programs attended along with several new agencies. Daniel next advised that a New JCPC Member Orientation will be held virtually on March 28. All new council members are required to attend and current members were encouraged to attend for a general refresher. Daniel then noted that DJJDP mandatory training sessions for programs, including SPEP and quality of service, were recently conducted. A virtual YASI training is under discussion that will be open to programs, JCPC members, judges, DAs, court officials, or anyone interested. Lastly, Daniel advised that Truancy Court Mediation received its first FY 24-25 disbursement and is up and running.

# **OLD BUSINESS / ACTION ITEM**

The next agenda item was a welcome for DSS Deputy Director Rekita McDuffie who was formally appointed in December to fill the seat vacated by Sharon Reese. Ms. McDuffie was absent at this meeting due to illness. Megan suggested the item be tabled until Ms. McDuffie is present and called for a motion or discussion. Officer Attaway motioned to table the item until the next meeting. Marta Meares seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Megan welcomed back Commissioner Measmer as the BOC's JCPC appointee for 2025. Heather noted that Commissioner Measmer was elected BOC Chairman.

Megan mentioned that JCPC's FY 25-26 RFP expires February 3, 2025. Program applications must be submitted before 5 p.m. on that date either via email or in person at Megan's office. A brief discussion was held regarding the scheduling of RFP information sessions.

# **NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEM**

Megan next opened the floor to discuss the disposition of equipment previously purchased by Youth Development Initiatives with JCPC funds, which currently remains in YDI's possession. Megan identified the items as three 65" Westinghouse LED smart televisions and one Luxor Laptop/Chromebook charging cart. Following a discussion around the age and diminished value of the items, Megan called for a motion. Judge Wilhelm motioned to recommend that the identified equipment remain with a youth-serving agency within Cabarrus County, which is YDI. Sergeant Greer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

# **PROGRAM REPORTS / COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS**

Megan opened the floor for monthly program reports. Agency representatives proceeded in the following order: Quanitta Kelly and Reggie McNeil with TYM for *Get Hired* and *Restitution & Community Service*; Kim Olige with YSF for *Interpersonal Fitness*; Kristen McEvoy with CRC for *Teen Court* and *Truancy Court Mediation*; Chef Kimberly Townsend and Chef Timothy Gray with Aspire-Cabarrus for *Kids at Work*; Larry Jones with Families First NC for *Strengthening Families*, and Karen South Jones with RCYSB for *SOSE*. Information included new referrals and referral sources, youth presentations at public events, fundraising efforts, client transportation, program volunteers, successful/unsuccessful terminations, Triple P providers in Cabarrus County, service data tracking, program lessons, schedule changes, and next year's funding. During presentations, agency representatives responded to multiple questions and comments from council.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Daniel advised that he was accepted to DPS General Instructors School at Wake Tech in Raleigh beginning February 18 thru March 8. Since he will be unable to attend JCPC's February 19 meeting, Scott Stoker will attend in his place. Scott previously served as Cabarrus JCPC's DPS Consultant.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council members and programs were encouraged to pick up new JCPC outreach brochures in English and Spanish for distribution in schools and the community. The remaining brochures will be stored in Heather Mobley's office in the Finance Department when replenishments are needed. Megan reminded Monitoring Committee chairs to make sure their reports to council occur before funding decisions are required. Amy Jewell asked everyone to mark their calendars for CCS' annual Student & Family Mental Wellness event on April 23. More information will follow about providers and guest speakers. Megan advised next JCPC meeting is scheduled for February 15.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further comments, Megan called for a motion. Commissioner Measmer motioned to adjourn. Marta Meares seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

-Submitted by Joanie Bischer

#### **Acronyms**

- 1. BOC = Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners
- 2. CCS = Cabarrus County Schools
- 3. CRC = Conflict Resolution Center
- 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. IIS = Intensive Intervention Services
- 7. RFP = Request for Proposals
- 8. SPEP = Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol (a tool used to determine a program's effectiveness at reducing recidivism)
- 9. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement
- 10. YASI = Youth Assessment & Screening Instrument
- 11. YSF = Youth Style Fitness