

CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL Regular Meeting held September 17, 2025 Governmental Center, Concord NC MINUTES

MEMBERS ATTENDING IN PERSON:

Gayle AlstonSteve AyersMegan BaumgardnerTravis BurkeCarolyn CarpenterHolly EdwardsRosemary GauseSteve GrossmanAmy JewellJeff JonesRekita McDuffieHeather Mobley

Aalece Pugh Malisha Ross Alvarys Santana-Chisholm

MEMBERS ATTENDING VIA MS TEAMS: Taylor Holman-White, Megan Huffman, Lakesha Steele, and

Michelle Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Adrian Attaway, Sonja Bohannon-Thacker, Meghan Kabat-Newcomer, Marta Meares,

and Ashlie Shanley

VACANT COUNCIL SEATS: Two At-Large Members, Person under Age 21

JCPC ASSOCIATES PRESENT: Daniel Sevigny and Joanie Bischer

GUESTS ATTENDING IN PERSON: Quanitta Brooks (TYM); Chef Timothy Gray (Aspire); Henretta Jackson; Christina Jarrett; Chef Nicole Jenkins (Aspire); Heather Jones (TYM); Larry Jones (Families First); Grace Knight (Families First); Eshan Korat; Kristen McEvoy (CRC); Sarimar Miller (DJJ); Ingrid Nurse; and Mary Swayze (CRC)

GUEST ATTENDING VIA MS TEAMS: Kim Olige (YSF)

CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE

Chair Megan Baumgardner called the meeting to order at 7:36 AM and welcomed everyone. Quorum was established with 19 of 24 members present. Fifteen members were seated in person and four members joined via MS Teams audio and/or video connection. The Chair opened the floor for the following routine business:

- Regarding approval of the August 20 meeting minutes, the Chair called for discussion or a motion. With no
 comments being heard, Amy Jewell motioned to approve the minutes as written. Carolyn Carpenter
 seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Regarding approval of the September 4 Membership Committee meeting minutes, the Chair called for discussion or a motion. With no comments being heard, Vice Chair Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Travis Burke seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Regarding the agenda, the Chair called for changes or a motion. Daniel Sevigny requested an addition to
 discuss the disposition of inventory items from TYM's Community Service & Restitution program. The Chair
 suggested an Item E be added to *New Business* to accommodate Daniel's request. She called for discussion
 a motion. With no further comments being heard, Holly Edwards motioned to approve the agenda as
 presented to include the addition requested. Malisha Ross seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT

The Chair yielded the floor to Daniel Sevigny who referred members to *DPS Talking Points* for client tracking data. He advised the numbers are strong. Daniel next reviewed planning documents for JCPC's Risk & Needs discussion. He noted that Cabarrus' overall data appears to be trending in positive directions but also highlighted several areas of concern. Several attendees added relevant information. Daniel also provided details for upcoming New Member Orientations, the Talk Space platform for virtual youth therapy, SPEP and measurable objectives reports, and the FY 24-25 programs returning funds to DPS. It was noted that one program will refund \$7,492.00. Discussion ensued around how to best utilize funds when a program budget is under-expended.

Daniel next advised that Families 1st-Strengthening Families submitted a program agreement revision to reflect the agency's new Salisbury office address. The floor was opened for discussion or a motion. Hearing no comments, Gayle Alston motioned to approve the revision as presented. Malisha Ross seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

OLD BUSINESS

The Chair announced that the member terms set to expire September 30, and recommended for renewal by JCPC in August, were formally approved by the BOC on September 15. She added that the BOC also approved the appointment of Sgt Taylor Holman-White as the Concord Chief of Police's designee replacing Sgt Matthew Greer. Lastly, Megan advised that the DJJDP funding resolution approved by JCPC in August will be presented to the BOC in October by herself and/or Heather Mobley.

INTRODUCTIONS BY CANDIDATES FOR VACANT SEATS

The Chair next yielded the floor to Heather Mobley, Chairperson for JCPC's Membership & Nominations Committee. Heather identified the vacant seats and commented on the high quality of applicants. The committee invited responsive seven candidates to address the Council. Heather added that one candidate failed to respond to the invitation. Two candidates responded but were unable to appear today due to personal circumstances. The candidates in attendance next introduced themselves, explained why they want to serve, and responded to council questions.

NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS

The floor was opened to discuss nominations. Heather advised that Eshan Korat was the responsive candidate for the *Person under Age 21* vacancy. It was noted that Mr. Korat's Teen Court involvement would affect his voting rights as a JCPC member. Daniel indicated it could be considered a perceived conflict. It was agreed that Mr. Korat will abstain from voting on issues pertaining to CRC programs. Hearing no further discussion, Malisha Ross motioned to recommend Eshan Korat for appointment to the *Person under Age 21* vacancy. Carolyn Carpenter seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

Recommendations for vacant *At Large* seats were next discussed. Heather presented information provided by the two absent candidates. Carolyn Carpenter motioned to recommend Eric Young for appointment to an *At Large* seat. Gayle Alston seconded. A brief discussion then ensued regarding voting requirements for members attending virtually. It was noted that JCPC By Laws require virtual attendees to maintain an audio <u>and</u> video connection during the entire discussion preceding a vote in order to cast a vote. When no further discussion was heard, the Chair called for a vote for the motion on the floor. Motion passed without opposition.

Discussion regarding the final vacancy was then held. Holly Edwards motioned to recommend appointment of Ingrid Nurse to an *At Large* seat. Jeff Jones seconded. With no further comments being heard, the motion

passed without opposition. Commissioner Jones encouraged candidates who were not selected to apply for other county advisory boards. Multiple members commented on the impressive qualifications of candidates. All were thanked for their interest in community service.

The Chair next opened the floor for a review of JCPC By Laws. Discussion followed around potential amendments, including the addition of term limits, requirements for committee participation, and new member orientations. It was suggested that a virtual By Laws Committee meeting be scheduled so any recommendations for amendments can be brought to the full council for consideration.

Megan requested that members who have not yet completed a COI disclosure for this FY to do so as soon as possible.

The Chair yielded the floor to Daniel for the disposition of inventory from TYM's now closed SHIFT Restitution & Community Service program. He advised that TYM's final accounting identified two Dell laptops and a 2016 Ford Transit Wagon as capital outlay items valued over \$500. Daniel explained that TYM modified its FY 25-26 Program Agreement, which was subsequently funded, to combine the community service and vocational components under *Transforming Futures*. Due to this change, JCPC must approve disposition of the equipment from the closed program. TYM's Director Reggie McNeil indicated the laptops and vehicle are still needed for the community service program. Following discussion, Heather Mobley motioned to approve TYM's retention of the aforementioned items conditioned upon their transfer to the appropriate inventory with the necessary maintenance and matching funds requirement to continue. Malisha Ross seconded. Motion carried without opposition.

PROGRAM MONTHLY REPORTS / COUNCIL QUESTIONS

The Chair next opened the floor for program reports. Agency representatives proceeded as follows: Quanitta Brooks for TYM Transforming Futures-Career Exploration/Community Service; Chef Timothy Gray for Aspire-Kids at Work; Larry Jones for Families First-Strengthening Families; Kristen McEvoy for CRC-Teen Court/Truancy Court Mediation; and Kim Olige for YSF-Interpersonal Fitness. Information provided included youth served/admitted, activities to promote youth engagement, youth recruitment efforts, DJJ presentations for referrals, personnel and facility updates, youth success stories, and October fundraising events. Megan reminded program representatives to follow the report template (previously used when programs were required to submit written reports) during their verbal presentations. The admin can provide the report template upon request.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

On behalf of her daughter, Kristen McEvoy mentioned that today is Constitution Day.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Malisha Ross shared Partners' annual report updates for Cabarrus County along with information on upcoming events. Gayle Alston and Sarimar Miller announced DJJ Court Counselor Tiffany Clark's upcoming retirement and celebration. Megan reminded members to include Daniel Sevigny and the admin when they schedule monitorings for this FY.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further comments being heard, the Chair called for a motion. Gayle Alston motioned to adjourn the meeting. Malisha Ross seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 AM.

-Submitted by Joanie Bischer

Acronyms

- 1. BOC = Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners
- 2. COI = Conflict of Interest Disclosure for JCPC Members (Form DPS13.001c)
- 3. CRC = Conflict Resolution Center
- 4. DJJDP = Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
- 5. DSS = Department of Social Services (aka Department of Human Services)
- 6. FY = Fiscal Year (JCPC's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30)
- 7. NCDHHS = NC Dept of Health & Human Services
- 8. NC SAFE = NC Governor's campaign to Secure All Firearms Effectively
- 9. RFP = Request for Proposals (a public document that solicits proposals for DPS-funded youth programs)
- 10. SOSE = Sex Offense Specific Evaluations
- 11. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement
- 12. YSF = Youth Style Fitness-Holistic Fitness