



**CABARRUS COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting held January 21, 2026**  
**Governmental Center, Concord NC**  
**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS ATTENDING IN PERSON:**

Gayle Alston	Adrian Attaway	Steven Ayers	Megan Baumgardner
Sonja Bohannon-Thacker	Travis Burke	Carolyn Carpenter	Holly Edwards
Steve Grossman	Megan Huffman	Henrietta Jackson	Amy Jewell
Jeff Jones	M Kabat-Newcomer	Eshan Korat	Heather Mobley
Aalece Pugh			

**MEMBERS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY:** Rosemary Gause, Taylor Holman-White, Malisha Ross, Alvarys Santana-Chisholm, Ashlie Shanley, Lakesha Steele, Michelle Wilson

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rekita McDuffie, Eric Young

**VACANT COUNCIL SEATS:** None

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

**GUESTS ATTENDING IN PERSON:** Erin Buell (DJJ); Quanitta Brooks (TYM); John Craven (DJJ); Rebecca Efird (DJJ); Chef Timothy Gray (Aspire); Shalaya Green (DJJ); David Highsmith II (DJJ); Chef Nicole Jenkins (Aspire); Larry Jones (Families First); Heather Jones (TYM); Grace Knight (Aspire); Kristen McEvoy (CRC); Sarimar Miller (DJJ); Karen South Jones (RCYSB); Mary Swayze (CRC); Dominique Williams (Kre8ivU); Shemika Wood (DJJ)

**GUESTS ATTENDING VIRTUALLY:** Natalie Atwell; Kim Olige (YSF)

**CALL TO ORDER and ATTENDANCE**

Chair Megan Baumgardner welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:34 AM. Quorum was confirmed with 24 of 26 members in attendance. Seventeen members were seated in person and seven members joined via MS Teams audio/video connection. Megan reminded virtual attendees that they must maintain audio and video connections in order to vote. Megan then opened the floor to conduct the following routine business:

- Discussion or a motion regarding JCPC’s November 19 meeting minutes was requested. When no comments were heard, Vice Chair Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Officer Attaway seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Discussion or a motion regarding SOSE’s December 11 monitoring minutes was requested. When no comments were heard, Heather Mobley motioned to approve the minutes as written. Sonja Bohannon-Thacker seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

- Discussion or a motion regarding the By Laws Committee December 17 meeting minutes was requested. When no comments were heard, Carolyn Carpenter motioned to approve the minutes as written. Eshan Korat seconded. Motion passed without opposition.
- Revisions to the agenda or a motion was requested. When no comments were heard, Holly Edwards motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Judge Grossman seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

### **UPDATES FROM DPS AREA CONSULTANT**

The Chair yielded the floor to Daniel Seigny who discussed information contained in *DPS Talking Points*. He advised a majority of programs are on track to meet projected goals this FY. Daniel provided details for the DPS' IIS RFP posting this month, Third Quarter accounting, Piedmont Area office Webex training, and state-contracted residential/transitional living facilities.

Daniel next discussed budget revisions submitted by CRC's two programs. He advised there were no overall amount changes in either proposed revision. Truancy Court Mediation proposed individual line item adjustments resulting from staffing changes, slow referrals, increases in contract time & insurance costs, and underestimated tax liability. Megan called for questions or comments. Hearing none, Judge Grossman motioned to approve the revision as presented. Officer Attaway seconded. Motion passed without opposition. Teen Courts' proposed revisions are mid-year adjustments based on the program's usage and need. Megan called for questions or comments. Hearing none, Judge Grossman motioned to approve the revision as presented. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

Lastly, Daniel noted that the final Cabarrus JCPC mandatory RFP Information session will be held this afternoon and added that several new programs were represented at the first session.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Megan welcomed back Commissioner Jones who will continue to serve JCPC in 2026. She also mentioned that the FY 26-27 RFP expires February 6. Program applications must be submitted no later than 5 PM on that date. Daniel and Megan noted that funding applicants must attend today's 4 PM session to be eligible to apply unless they already attended the Jan 14 RFP Information session.

### **NEW BUSINESS / ACTION ITEMS**

The Chair then yielded the floor to By Laws Committee Chair Michelle Wilson to discuss three amendments proposed during the committee's annual review in December. With the By Laws on screen, Council discussion ensued over each proposed amendment. Megan advised that all amendments to By Laws are subject to approval by the county attorney and the BOC. Heather Mobley, Membership Committee Chair, described JCPC's recommendation process for candidates. The demanding nature of JCPC membership was also noted.

Separate votes were conducted following discussion of each proposed amendment. Under *By Laws Article II: Membership, Section 1*, Holly Edwards motioned to recommend changing individual member terms from two years to three years. Judge Grossman seconded. Motion passed without opposition. Under *Article II Membership, Section 3*, Gayle Alston motioned to recommend additional language that eliminates term limits for any council seat. Officer Attaway seconded. Motion passed without opposition. Under *Article V: Committees, Section 1*, Commissioner Jones motioned to recommend additional language that requires members to serve on at least one subcommittee throughout each term. Aalece Pugh seconded. Motion passed without opposition. Michelle will request the county attorney's review before the amendments are presented to the BOC for approval.

The Chair next yielded the floor to Heather Mobley, Chair for RCYSB SOSE's Monitoring Committee. Heather advised that DJJ now primarily utilizes TASK. SOSE serves as gap filler if a situation arises where a client falls into an unusual Medicaid/private insurance hole. Thus far this FY, SOSE has not received a referral. Monitoring was therefore held virtually as there were no confidential files to review. Heather reported that no irregularities were found with the Program Agreement. The program's documentation and financials were in order. The program stands ready to provide services if needed. The director anticipates submitting budget revisions due to under-expended funds. Heather added that no follow-up by the Area Consultant was recommended.

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

Megan opened the floor for program's verbal reports from November and December. Agency representatives proceeded in the following order: Kristen McEvoy for CRC Teen Court/Truancy Court Mediation; Karen South Jones for RCYSB SOSE; Kim Olige for YSF Interpersonal Fitness; Quanitta Brooks for TYM Transforming Futures: Community Service/Career Exploration; Chef Nicole for Aspire Kids at Work; Grace Knight for Families First Strengthening Families. Information included new referrals and admissions, referral sources, a new program website, mid-year expenditures, curriculum details, new ownership & name change at YSF location, program graduate assistants, successful and unsuccessful terminations, and community presentations to increase program awareness. Agency representatives responded to questions and comments from council.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Michelle Wilson and Sonja Bohannon-Thacker spoke on CHA's measles vaccine availability to the public. Sarimar Miller spoke on Human Trafficking Awareness Month and available county resources.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Megan reminded Monitoring Committee Chairs to complete their sessions before funding season begins in March. She reminded everyone that the next meeting is February 18. Hearing no further comments, the Chair called for a motion. Heather Mobley motioned to adjourn. Sonja Bohannon-Thacker seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 AM.

*-Submitted by Joanie Bischer*

### **Acronyms**

1. BOC = Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners
2. CHA = Cabarrus Health Alliance
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. TASK = Treatment Alternatives for Sexualized Kids (a CHA program)
9. TYM = Transforming Youth Movement
10. YSF = Youth Style Fitness