

WYOMING STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON JUVENILE JUSTICE

Meeting Minutes

January 21-22, 2016 • Cheyenne, WY

Agenda:

Thursday, January 21, 2016

- Call to Order
- Approval of Minutes
- Budget Report/Grant Update
- New Business
- On-Going Business
- Committees

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- Committees
- Community Participation
- Educational Training
- Announcements
- Adjournment

Present:

Adrienne Freng
Allison Anderson
Baylee McIntyre
Bryan Skoric
Damon DeBernardi
Dawnessa Snyder
Donna Sheen
Les Pozsgo
Lisa Finkey
Mary Hall
Michael Sorenson
Narina Nunez
Neal Madson
Nicole Hauser
Rene Kemper
Seth Marshall
Shad Bates
Shane Johnson
Thomas Rose

Ex-Officio Present

Jo Ann Numoto
Merit Thomas

ICI

Maureen Clifton

Via Proxy

Chris Jones
Gary Gilmore

Others Present

Brandon Schimelpfenig
Craig Figus
Byron Oedokoven
Jeff Lamm
Chuck Kratz
Jennifer Davis
Eric Kent
Clint Hanes
Kiersti Willms
Gay Van Horn
Eydie Trautwein
Rachel Campbell

Absent

Clarence Thomas
H. Steven Brown
Steven Gilmore

Call to Order

I. Call to Order: Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

- a) Roll Call
- b) Declaration of Quorum, established with 21 members.

II. Approval of Minutes

November 19-20, 2015 Meeting in Casper. Thomas Rose motioned to amend the Minutes to include the portion from Craig Figus' VOA presentation about the new method of collecting juvenile detention rates and Donna Sheen seconded the motion, all in favor, motion approved. Allison Anderson then motioned to approve the Minutes, as amended, and Damon DeBernardi seconded the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

III. Budget Report/Grant Update - Brandon Schimelpfenig

a) Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG)

JABG '13 has \$9,038.67 for City of Cheyenne and \$2,252.45 for Natrona County unobligated.

b) Title II State Advisory Group Award

Title II '13/'14 has \$1,839.76 unobligated. Title II '15 has \$16,607.26 unobligated. Allison Anderson requested that the DFS Fiscal agency only expend from one Title II grant at a time meaning that DFS Fiscal use expend from one title II grant until it is completely exhausted and then move to the next chronological Title II grant. It was also stated from the Council that Brandon Schimelpfenig draft up a memo to request that DFS Fiscal expend from one Title II grant at a time, send it as an email, and that he CC the Council on the email.

IV. New Business

a) Wyoming Afterschool Alliance

Donna Sheen moved to add the "Wyoming Afterschool Alliance" piece to be presented in New Business, Dawnessa Snyder and Allison Anderson seconded, all in favor, motion approved. Chuck Kratz and Donna Sheen presented information concerning the Wyoming Afterschool Alliance. Chuck Kratz stated that he is also on the Advisory Board for the Alliance. The WYAA was initiated in the summer of 2006 under the name the Wyoming Afterschool Network, as it was recognized that a core advocacy focus would be needed to ensure the full potential of out-of-school time programming throughout Wyoming. Allison Anderson stated that she would be in full support of the Council supporting the WYAA with information. Chuck stated that he will keep the Council informed on when the WYAA will be meeting next.

b) Bylaw Changes

Dawnessa Snyder stated that she looked at the bylaws and it's stated that ex-officio members are considered "silent" but is not stated that they are to be "non-voting members". Dawnessa stated that she will be looking at the exact language and will be cleaning up the bylaws to state that ex-officio members are non-voting members of the Council.

c) Elections

The ballots were passed out for the SACJJ Chair position, Vice Chair, Executive Committee (At-Large Members), and the Grants Committee. The votes were tallied and Shad Bates will remain the SACJJ Chairperson, Allison Anderson will be the Vice-Chairperson, Dawnessa Snyder, Les Pozsgi, and Narina Nunez will be At-Large Executive Committee members along with the Vice Chair (Allison Anderson) and the Chairperson (Shad Bates). For the Grants Committee it will be Shad Bates, Adrienne Freng, Dawnessa Snyder, Seth Marshall, Damon DeBernardi, and Thomas Rose. These positions will serve for one year until re-elections are held again in January 2017.

d) Conference Phone

It was discussed to buy a conference phone for the Council to use at each full meeting so that members that cannot travel to the full meetings can attend via tele-conference. Bryan Skoric motioned to use Council funds to buy a conference phone with the "spider" extension microphones. Donna Sheen then motioned to amend Bryan's motion to see if the Council can use federal dollars to purchase a conference phone. This purchase will be verified by Brandon Schimelpfenig and Jeff Lamm to see if the Council can use federal dollars to purchase this phone. Bryan Skoric then motioned to approve

the purchase of the phone along with the friendly amendment from Donna Sheen, Dawnessa Snyder and Allison Anderson seconded the motion, all in favor, motion approved.

V. On-Going Business – Updates from:

a) Governor’s Office (Merit Thomas)

Joint Appropriation Committee has been meeting and discussing budget cuts and other appropriations. The Homelessness Point-In-Time count will be taking place very soon. In 2014, there were approximately 1800 people counted statewide.

b) Data Collection Update (Jeff Lamm)

The ROM Data Collection Spreadsheet has been sent out to all the Community Juvenile Service Boards. DFS is hoping to test the ROM website in April or May 2016. DFS is currently working on the “recidivism” definition that some CJSB’s are having.

c) DFS Update (Director Corsi)

Director Corsi was not present. No updates that weren’t stated in the Data Collection Update presented by Jeff Lamm.

d) Non-Participating State Grant (VOA) (Craig Fisgus)

DSO (Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders) violations will be lower then what was originally calculated. OJJDP has stated that they will be changing the way entities will need to report data. Entities have historically been able to pick when they reported their data but it will now be required to be reported on a federal fiscal year.

e) Diversion (Craig Fisgus)

No updates

f) Annual Report

The SACJJ 2015 Annual Report has been completed and dispersed to all the necessary entities.

VI. Committees

a) Executive Committee – Shad Bates

It was discussed by Les Pozsgi about the work that the PEW Foundation does. PEW currently partners with the Wyoming Dept. of Corrections. It was discussed by Les that PEW would be a great informational resource for the Council to obtain diversion information from. PEW can only work with State agencies, Governor’s offices, and Legislative bodies. It would not be at any cost to the Council to obtain this information. Donna Sheen made a motion to support and explore informational resources with the PEW Foundation, Seth Marshall seconded the motion, Dawnessa Snyder then asked for a friendly amendment to move forward with the PEW Foundation with approval from the Governor’s Office, all in favor, motion approved. It was then voted on, with the amendment, to move forward with the PEW Foundation, all in favor, motion approved.

b) Grants Committee – Shad Bates

No updates

c) Best Practices – Les Pozsgi

No updates

- d) Outreach Committee – Allison Anderson
Updates were stated in Youth Member portion.
- e) Data Committee – Adrienne Freng
No updates that weren't already stated in the Data Collection update.

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VII. Committees (continued from Thurs.)

- f) Legislative Committee – Donna Sheen
--Juvenile Bills Update
The Committee met recently, via telephone, regarding the Juvenile Sex Offender Registration bill and the registration requirements. In 2011, Wyoming passed its current juvenile sex offender registry law. It was discussed by Donna to have the Council support the proposed changes to the juvenile sex offender registry law from the Joint Judiciary Interim Committee. Allison Anderson then motioned to have the Legislative Committee draft a letter, concerning the juvenile sex offender registry law, to send out the rest of the Council for approval then send to the Governor's Office, Tom Rose seconded the motion, all in favor, motion approved. This Recommendation Letter will be dispersed to the Council via email and discussion will take place as to if revisions will need to be made, other items to include, etc.
- g) Youth Member Committee – Seth Marshall/Baylee McIntyre
Seth presented some recommendations based upon his review of the current SACJJ website. There were some formatting issues with opening up straight to PDFs instead of having the option to open as a PDF or a Microsoft Word document. There were some definitions that he felt were confusing. There was also an introduction for the Community Juvenile Service Board section that was blank. These recommendations and revisions will be sent from Seth to Brandon Schimelpfenig at a later date. Baylee stated that she has reached out to the Sheridan College criminal justice department regarding a point of contact to possibly have some of their students voice their opinion on juvenile justice at meetings. She stated that she has not heard back from them yet.
- h) Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ) – Maureen Clifton
It was stated that with ICJ, if a juvenile is transferring supervision to another state and is a sex offender, the juvenile must get approval from the receiving state in advance. The juvenile's sex offense must be compared to the receiving states sex offense list to see if it's comparable on severity. There's going to be new ICJ forms effective February 1, 2016. They can be found on the ICJ website.

VIII. Community Participation

- a) Laramie County CJSB and DFS
Gay Van Horn, Lieutenant Eric Kent, and Kiersti Willms were present to discuss the Laramie County CJSB. It was stated that Laramie County is currently working on opening up its Crisis Shelter for juveniles. The biggest issue they are having right now is the recruitment of qualified applicants. A lot of applicants keep getting denied due to their background checks. The Crisis Shelter has a capacity of eight beds. Clint Hanes and Kiersti Willms were also present to discuss Laramie County DFS. Laramie County is looking at implementing an Intensive Outpatient (IOP) class for juveniles suffering from mental health issues. It was stated that the biggest challenge Laramie County DFS faces is reunification timeliness. Most of this is due to parental involvement with the case.

IX. Educational Training

a) Eydie Trautwein – Children’s Justice Project

---Wyoming Juvenile Court Process

Eydie Trautwein and Rachel Campbell were present to discuss the Children’s Justice Project, the Wyoming Juvenile Court Process, and juvenile data. The “Big” data systems that are currently being used in Wyoming are “WyUser”; this is the District Court data system and court docketing system. Also there is “FullCourt”; the Circuit Court data system and court docketing system. There is “WYCAPS”; Department of Family Services data system. This system is federally regulated and is a client case management system and payment system. Another system is “CJIS” (Criminal Justice Information System); this is ran by the Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI). This system is used for background/criminal history checks and interfaces with the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation). The last “big” data system in Wyoming is the Department of Transportation/Driver’s Services system. This system is used by Driver’s Services to maintain driver history records, including convictions for motor vehicle offenses and crashes. It also collects information from paper tickets from municipal courts (nuances). It was stated that adult and minor information may be stored in these systems and that these systems have mechanism in place to protect information. Eydie’s full presentation can be found on the SACJJ website under the “Council Meetings” tab for January 2016.

X. Announcements

a) Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in Riverton, WY on April 21-22.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Allison Anderson, seconded by Thomas Rose, motioned passed, meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Next Meeting: April 21-22, 2016, Riverton