

CIRCUIT 4 ADVISORY and EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

September 9, 2016

Youth Crisis Center

3015 Parental Home Road, Jacksonville, FL 32216

MINUTES

PRESENT: Asst. Chief Tranquille, Council Member Joyce Morgan, Jim Clark, Kim Sirdevan, Mike McAuley, Renee McQueen, Rob Mason, Sally Finn, Stacy Roberts, Steve Bauer

EXCUSED: Andreu Powell, Bobby Lippelman, Brooke Brady, Keith Fields, Vicki Waytowich, Susan Woodford

ABSENT: Marian O'Neal (Powell's Alternate), Chief Gary Goble, Chief Mike Edwards, Daniel Leeper, Gary Powers, Julia Gray, Kendall Anderson, Kenneth Wagner, Natalie Clayton, Patricia Medlock (DCF), Michael Wingate

GUESTS: Sharon Miller (for Keith Fields), Sebrina Walker, Dorie Hanson, Cecelia Stalnaker-Cauwenberghs, Andria George, Vicki Burke, Taurean Sinclair, Darrell Johnson (DJJ)

CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

Chairman, Jim Clark called to order the Circuit 4 Advisory Board meeting at 10:02 AM. Introductions were made by each Board Member and Board Guest in attendance.

A quorum was established with the receipt of electronic absentee votes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 13, 2016 and July 8, 2016 Board minutes as submitted was made by Mr. Mason and seconded by Ms. McQueen. Motion carried.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Clark discussed LBR requests as well as the council's purpose as being to advise the Department of Juvenile Justice about matters that we feel are important in the community. Mr. Clark stated in the last four years more attention has been given to the group being one that provides more input to the department. Mr. Clark stated we have impacted funding as seen in the department for expanding area Neighborhood-Accountability Boards. He stated changes have also been made as it relates to civil citations. Mr. Clark also spoke regarding the requests made last year that did not get funded, i.e., civil citations and mechanisms to reduce court costs for kids and to prevent them from remaining on probation because of court costs. Also discussed was the topic of Evening Reporting Centers, an effort led by Pastor Gunn, as places where kids getting get out of detention could go until a decision was made about their adjudication.

Mr. Mason stated that a recommendation was also made for a day treatment sex offender program. He indicated many children are treated in the community, but some kids get sent off to high risk programs. Mr. Mason stated there are children that fit in between, where just probation with special conditions isn't enough.

Ms. Burke spoke on alternatives to detention. She stated that Journey has provided some funding and that an RFP is coming out soon. They will soon be advertising, so look for it. The provider should be approved by the end of October and the program starts December 1st. Kids will start being referred January 1st. She stated it may include 32208-09 zip codes as well as other zip codes in the RFP. Ms. Burke stated anyone who is interested in offering or providing an Evening Reporting Center can apply.

STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) – Mr. Sinclair stated the committee has not met recently. Has had conversations with the State about funding, but doesn't know where the conversation is with the new administration. Mr. Sinclair presented information on the 9/28/16 Expungement Workshop Event. The workshop is from 12 noon to 5 PM and will allow juveniles with a non-violent misdemeanor, who have successfully completed diversion, to get their record expunged. The FDLE fee and fingerprinting fee will be waived; also there are no court costs or Notary costs.

Ms. Burke explained the difference between DMC (Disproportionate Minority Contact) and RED (Racial Ethnic Disparity). She also stated the Conditions of Confinement audit that was done earlier this year has been turned in to Tallahassee. She hopes to get the report back in December. Ms. Burke spoke on the Medical Behavioral Home, a follow up treatment facility for kids coming back from commitment programs, or detention.

- Faith Community Network – no report
- School Board – Mr. McCauley spoke on changes in the structure and focus of Grand Park and Mattie V. Rutherford alternative schools.
- Legislative – no report
- Planning – no report
- Nominations and Membership – Mr. Clark stated going forward he will be responsible for the nomination and membership committee and will provide a list to keep everyone abreast of vacant positions. There are some openings; but is not sure how things are going to pan out after this election. The provisional language that creates the Juvenile Justice Circuit Justice Board has some specific positions in which individuals have to meet, i.e., Chief Tranquille fits the position of the police or legal division. There are certain Board positions that are a requirement. Mr. Clark will send out the legislation so that everyone is aware of the various positions required by law.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Mason discussed The Center for Children's Rights and informed the Board of the website, jaxccr.org, where individuals can access his 75-minute (1.5 credit hour) juvenile law certification training presentations.

Mrs. Morgan stated she is starting her second year on the advisory committee and wants to be sure she is engaged in what she needs to be doing for this Board as it relates to the City Council and legislation that needs to come forward, i.e., the Journey and the Evening Reporting Centers. She stated City Council President, Lori Boyer has made her the liaison to Duval County School Board. Mrs. Morgan stated she has town hall meetings every month and that things that impact district 1, also impact the entire community; she brought town hall meeting schedules and will send it to Mr. Clark electronically for distribution.

Mr. Clark requested that the School Report and the System of Care Report be added as a formal presentation process with 5 minutes each on future agendas. Mr. Clark also requested that Ms. Burke provide reports on the Evening Reporting Centers and the Medical Behavioral Home at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Woodford,
Secretary