

TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES

November 3, 2006

Members Present: Brian Black, Judge James Burgess, Kathy Dittmer, Jean Hogan, Kathleen Kaiser, Melinda Wilson for Jeannine Lane, Karen Langston, Shawna Mobley, Terri Moses, Ron Terzian and Denise Wren

Members Absent: Senator Donald Betts (unexcused), Marilyn Cook (excused), Pat Hanrahan (unexcused), Robert Hinshaw (excused) and Ron Paschal (unexcused)

Guests: Marla Canfield, Chris Champagne, Liane Felton, Misty Harding, Terri Patterson, Kirsten Lyman Roberson, Larry Ternes and John Waller

Staff: Mark Masterson, Chris Morales and Jodi Tronsgard

- I. **View Dr. Craig's Program Evaluation Presentation to the Board of County Commissioners** – Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland presented her Program Evaluation Report for State Fiscal Year 2006 to the Board of County Commission on October 25, 2006. Board members viewed an e-Video of the presentation that is available to the public on the Sedgwick County website. Brian Black requested a separate section on disproportionate minority contact data; he will submit specific data requests to Mark Masterson.
- II. **Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 10/6/06 Meeting** – **ACTION ITEM: Brian Black moved, Kathleen Kaiser seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve the 10/6/06 Team Justice Minutes, as submitted.**
- III. **Team Justice Advisory Sub-committee Report** – In Ron Paschal's absence, Chris Morales summarized the items discussed at the Team Justice Advisory Sub-committee meeting held on October 10, 2006. The Sub-committee made recommendations on the SFY08 funding process and on the upcoming Request for Proposals. Team Justice discussed these topics further in agenda items IV. and V. below.
- IV. **Approve SFY08 Funding Recommendations** – Chris Morales reported that the Team Justice Advisory Sub-committee recommends continued funding for the current prevention, intervention and graduated sanctions programs and requested that each program submit a preliminary SFY08 budget along with a brief statement regarding the impact of flat funding. The Sub-committee plans to review each program's budget and impact statement at the next Sub-committee meeting on November 14, 2006, and will amend the recommendation, if necessary.

Mark Masterson mentioned that the Legislature approved extending the prevention proviso for State Fiscal Year 2007 allowing local districts the discretion to use prevention funds for intervention and graduated sanctions programs. Don Jordan, Commissioner of the Juvenile Justice Authority, included in his budget request for SFY08 an increase in funding for graduated sanctions. Mark will provide more information on the funding formulas for SFY08 at the next Team Justice meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Following discussion, Ron Terzian moved, Shawna Mobley seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to accept the recommendation of the Team Justice Advisory Sub-committee to continue funding the current prevention, intervention and graduated sanctions programs for State Fiscal Year 2008.

- V. **Update on the SFY08 Request for Proposal (RFP) Process** – Chris Morales reported that the Team Justice Advisory Sub-committee recommends continued funding for the JIAC Case Management and Parent Training programs. Team Justice members **agreed by general consensus** to accept the Sub-committee's recommendation and approved continuation. Therefore, the JIAC Case Management and

Parent Training RFPs will be released in the next few weeks with the proposals due approximately one month following the release date. Chris stated that Jeannette Livingston anticipates that the Community Crime Prevention Fund will also go out for bid in November 2006. Chris and Jeannette are coordinating their efforts so the Grant Award Committee can review all the proposals in the same time period. It is anticipated that the Grant Award Committee will be able to make recommendations by the end of December 2006, or shortly thereafter.

VI. Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Update – Mark Masterson announced that USD 259 approved the contract for the school-based intervention project, “*Closing the Gap, Reducing DMC: A Strategic Approach to Raising Academic Achievement Among USD 259 Middle School Students.*” The contract between Sedgwick County and USD 259 is on the Board of County Commission agenda on November 15, 2006.

VII. Update on Recent Meeting with USD 259 – Ron Terzian reported that the work group formed during the Team Justice meeting on October 6th met at the USD 259 administration building on October 31, 2006. In attendance were Kathy Busch, Chris Champagne, Kathy Dittmer, Mark Masterson, Shawna Mobley, Ron Terzian and Denise Wren. Ron mentioned the following key points:

- The middle school suspension data included in Dr. Craig’s evaluation were verified and are accurate; however, it does not accurately reflect the environment in those schools.
- The workgroup will examine and profile suspension, and possibly expulsion, data for analysis and possible interventions.
- If the profiles are useful, they will be presented to Team Justice in time for publication in the next Benchmark Update Report.
- Strategies will be offered by April 1, 2007, on ways Team Justice and USD 259 could partner, if warranted by the data profiles.
- The work group will meet periodically to enhance understanding of the data and propose programs or training where appropriate. Team Justice and USD 259 have a strong partnership with a mutual interest in understanding and addressing attachment to school and success in school.

VIII. Other Business – the following items were discussed:

- Brian Black expressed concern regarding the African-American coalition that has formed. He stated that momentum is dropping due to the lack of a coordinator, making implementation a struggle. Deputy Chief Terri Moses and Brian will discuss the possibility of the Wichita Police Department providing limited clerical support to assist with coordination.
- Chris Morales announced that Dorothy Burgess, Detention Advocate, received the Elizabeth Ferguson award this year from the Kansas Legal Services Board of Directors. Dorothy was nominated for creating a job readiness program for youth receiving services from the Detention Advocacy Service.