

TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES

February 2, 2007

Members Present: Brian Black, Judge James Burgess, Marilyn Cook, Kathy Dittmer, Pat Hanrahan, Jean Hogan, Kathleen Kaiser, Melinda Wilson for Jeannine Lane, Shawna Mobley, Terri Moses and Denise Wren

Members Absent: Senator Donald Betts, Robert Hinshaw, Karen Langston, Ron Paschal and Ron Terzian

Guests: Linda Auld, Terry Calloway, Marla Canfield, Chris Champagne, David Coleman, Deborah Donaldson, Mildred Edwards, Liane Felton, Misty Harding, Lori Jacobs, Kirsten Lyman-Roberson, Rachelle Moody, Terri Patterson, Larry Ternes and John Waller

Staff: Mark Masterson, Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland, Chris Morales and Jodi Tronsgard

I. Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 1/5/07 Meeting – ACTION ITEM: Kathy Dittmer moved, Brian Black seconded, Marilyn Cook abstained, and the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve the 1/5/07 Team Justice Minutes, as submitted.

II. Update on JIAC Case Management and Parent Training Request for Proposals – Chris Morales announced that the Sedgwick County Board of County Commission (BOCC) approved Kansas Children's Service League as the provider for both the JIAC Case Management and Parent Training programs for the upcoming fiscal year.

III. Report on Meeting between Team Justice Workgroup and USD 259 – This agenda item was deferred until Ron Terzian is available to provide a full report.

IV. Legislative Update – Mark Masterson stated the Juvenile Justice Authority requested an additional \$2.2 million to increase graduated sanction program funding; however, Governor Sebelius did not provide the funding increase in her budget. Stuart Little, a paid lobbyist representing the Kansas Community Corrections Association (KCCA), arranged with the Senate Ways and Means Committee and the House Appropriations Committee to have a full hearing very early in the session to inform members about our local needs, and those hearings occurred this week. Mark agreed to send to Team Justice members the legislative testimony and a listing of the committee members to contact regarding juvenile justice funding. Mark encouraged members to contact each person to let them know the importance of adding additional funding to the Juvenile Justice Authority budget for graduated sanctions programs.

Mark announced that the state has revised the juvenile code and the code for the care of children. The revision included time limits on the filing of petitions in abuse and neglect cases. This has a ripple effect on detained juvenile offenders. Mark stated that a potential impact is a longer length of stay. Judge Burgess provided information on the unintended impact the changes have had locally and the efforts for legislative change that are currently underway. Mark stated that the statute change allowing juvenile detention facilities to provide secure care for chronic runaways did not take into account that it is a violation of the juvenile detention license to accept secure care placements. Jean Hogan stated that Social and Rehabilitation Services will help develop resources because the statute change is not good practice for youth.

Off Agenda Item - Deputy Chief Terri Moses and Brian Black mentioned that Senator Betts and the Kansas Black Legislative Caucus is hosting a Town Hall Meeting for the public on Saturday, February 10, 2007, at the WSU Hughes Metropolitan Complex.

- V. **Discussion on SFY08 Grant Application and Projected Shortfall** – Chris Morales announced that drafts of applications for SFY08 funding are due from service providers today. The next process is obtaining approval from the BOCC. The SFY08 grant application is due to the Juvenile Justice Authority on March 15, 2007. **ACTION ITEM: Marilyn Cook moved, Brian Black seconded, and the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to authorize the Team Justice chairperson, Terri Moses, to sign the SFY08 grant application.**

Mark Masterson reported that the projected shortfall for SFY08 is \$471,000 (16% of the budget). Mark met with Sedgwick County management this week and reaffirmed their assurance to make up the shortfall after all other resources have been exhausted. Therefore, Mark recommended that Team Justice members contact legislators, continue to scrutinize program budgets and identify all possible resources to offset the shortfall. Further, the recommendation is that the graduated sanctions programs not be cut to the budgeted level and not to cut prevention programs to fund graduated sanctions. Terri Patterson agreed to provide information to Brian Black on the impact a reduction in staff would have on the Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program and Juvenile Case Management.

- VI. **Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Update** – Mark Masterson reported that a Spanish-speaking staff member was added to the Home-Based Supervision program to communicate with Spanish-speaking parents and to increase the capability of the program to serve more youth.

Mark stated that a site visit concerning the DMC pilot project is scheduled for February 6, 2007.

Mark provided three DMC charts updated with 2006 data. The charts provide the relative rate index (RRI) numbers for four years for decision points in the juvenile justice system in Sedgwick County. Deputy Chief Terri Moses explained that the key to understanding RRI is that a rate of 1.0 shows proportionality. Mark compared the local rates on admissions to detention with national data. Mark also pointed out that standard probation caseload data is now available. Trends for other decision points were also discussed.

- VII. **Other Business** – Mark Masterson reported the following:

- The letter included in the handouts dated January 30, 2007, from Don Jordan, Acting Secretary of Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, announces the delay in the implementation of the Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF) from April 2007 to July 1, 2007.
- The letter included in the handouts dated January 22, 2007, announces that a meeting to develop program descriptions and standards will be held on Wednesday, February 7th. Mark and several facility staff plan to attend the meeting. In the Sedgwick County detention continuum is an emergency shelter, the Juvenile Residential Facility, and a Level V residential care facility, the Judge James Riddel Boys Ranch.
- The 2006 Strategic Plan will be available next week at <http://sedgwickcounty.org/corrections/>. The plan identifies key initiatives for 2007 and 2008 and provides an update on progress on the key initiatives in 2006.