

TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES

February 6, 2009

Members Present: Brian Black, Judge James Burgess, Kathy Dittmer, Pat Hanrahan, Jean Hogan, Terri Moses, Tom Pletcher, Richard Powell, Marvin Stone Jr., Riley Williams and Chris Champagne for Denise Wren

Members Absent: Kathleen Kaiser, Karen Langston, Shawna Mobley, Ron Paschal and Stephanie Springer

Guests: Linda Auld, Terry Calloway, David Coleman, Liane Felton, Mary Galvin, Gary Howard, Margarita LaFarrelle Hunt, Lori Jacobs, Tom Kimbrell, Karen Lippoldt, Teresa Lovelady, Emile McGill, Rep. Melody McCray Miller, Karen Palmer, Cornelia Stevens, Steven Stonehouse, Jennifer Szambecki, Jody Voils, John Waller, Carolyn West and Pam Williams

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

- I. **Introductions** – Introductions were conducted.
- II. **Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 1/9/09 Meeting** – **ACTION ITEM: Kathy Dittmer moved, Tom Pletcher seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve the 1/9/09 Team Justice Minutes, as submitted.**
- III. **Announce At-Large Appointment to Executive Committee** – Terri Moses announced that she selected Judge James Burgess to serve on the Executive Committee in accordance with the By-laws; Judge Burgess has agreed to serve the Board in that capacity.
- IV. **Truancy Workshop Report** – Terri Moses summarized the discussion at the Truancy Workshop on January 27, 2009; Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland's research report was included in the handouts.
- V. **Approval of State Fiscal Year 2010 (SFY10) Community Funding Grant Application** – Chris Morales presented a proposed funding table for the SFY10 grant application due to the Juvenile Justice Authority by March 16th. Programs included for funding were approved for inclusion in the grant application at the Team Justice meeting in December. It was recommended that \$4,178 in unallocated funds be designated to Court Services. **ACTION ITEM: Pat Hanrahan moved, Jean Hogan seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to authorize the Team Justice chairperson, Terri Moses, to sign the SFY10 grant application.**
- VI. **Approval of Federal Fiscal Year 2008 (FFY08) Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Application** – Chris Morales announced that the award amount increased approximately \$2,800 to \$36,437 (including the 10% required local match). The recommendation is to continue to fund a portion of the diversion manager position (approximately 52% of the salary and benefits associated with the position). The remainder of the position is funded by the three programs the diversion manager oversees (Diversion, Family Group Conferencing and the Truancy Prevention Program). **ACTION ITEM: Richard Powell moved, Riley Williams seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve proceeding with the grant application process with the recommended funding plan.**
- VII. **Team Justice Certification for Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Trust Fund Grant Applications** – Chris Morales stated that two proposals have been submitted for the Board's consideration for certification letters that the proposed programs will provide services that are consistent with the 18th Judicial District's Comprehensive Plan for Juvenile Delinquency Prevention.
 - a. **Aggression Replacement Training Program provided by Episcopal Social Services** – **ACTION ITEM: Following discussion Judge James Burgess moved, Riley Williams seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to certify that the proposed program is consistent with the community comprehensive plan.**
 - b. **Bigs in Schools Expansion provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sedgwick County** – **ACTION ITEM: Following discussion Jean Hogan moved, Kathy Dittmer seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to certify that the proposed program is consistent with the community comprehensive plan provided that the last sentence on page 2 of the proposal be**

clarified in the grant application that, while the program is consistent with the comprehensive plan, it is not included in the plan. Jennifer Szambecki, from Big Brothers Big Sisters, was present and indicated agreement with the provision.

Off Agenda Item – Teresa Lovelady, Mental Health Association, gave an overview of a federal grant opportunity to partner evidence-based programming with a mentoring component to serve at-risk youth.

ACTION ITEM: Pat Hanrahan moved, Brian Black seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to authorize the Team Justice chairperson, Terri Moses, to sign an endorsement letter for the Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas’s application for an OJJDP National Mentoring Grant.

VIII. SFY09 Half Year Program Evaluation – Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland presented a half year evaluation of programs funded by the Juvenile Justice Authority and the Sedgwick County Crime Prevention Fund as agreed at the Team Justice meeting in November 2008 when the SFY08 Program Evaluation Report was presented. Most programs are performing as expected; the JIAC Case Management program provided by the Kansas Children’s Service League (KCSL) indicates continued attention is necessary. Cornelia Stevens, South Central Region Director for KCSL, presented the components that have been addressed or enhanced to strengthen the program. *[KCSL continues on a Corrective Action Plan agreed upon 8-11-08.]*

IX. Follow-up to SFY08 Program Evaluation Report – Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland presented the results of a recidivism study conducted on youth who successfully completed services from multiple programs (funded by the Juvenile Justice Authority and the Sedgwick County Crime Prevention Fund) as requested at the Team Justice meeting in November 2008.

X. Policy Question Regarding USD 259 Communities That Care (CTC) Data – Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland presented participation percentages for the Communities That Care (CTC) Survey. A participation level of 60% is generally acceptable for planning purposes, while 80% is needed for evaluation. In 2008, Sedgwick County had a 48% participation level and USD 259 had a 32% participation level. For the 2007 CTC survey in Sedgwick County, USD 259 constituted 34% of all participants. The Board **agreed by general consensus** that CTC data be excluded from the Benchmark 5 Update Report until participation levels reach acceptable levels and that a working committee (comprised of Brian Black, Jean Hogan and Terri Moses) discuss strategies to increase USD 259 participation.

XI. Legislative Budget Update – Mark Masterson reported that the current assumption is a 1% - 1½% rescission in community funding for SFY09 (approximately \$75,000 for our district). Mark recommended that the decision made at the January 9th Team Justice meeting (see item VII of the 1/9/09 meeting minutes) to reissue the Request for Proposal for evidence-based programming/practices be withdrawn, saving approximately \$107,000. The Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA) will allow a maximum amount of \$73,000 be carried-over and added to the SFY10 budget. JJA’s “best guess” estimated reduction for the SFY10 budget is between 4% – 10% (\$207,000 - \$515,000 for our district). Should the reduction occur in SFY10, Mark would then confer with County officials to determine priorities. The JJA rules will allow flexibility with the resources; however, core programs must be staffed to meet all of their standards. **ACTION ITEM: Brian Black moved, Richard Powell seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to reverse the decision to reissue the Request for Proposal and to authorize Sedgwick County Department of Corrections staff to identify funds to carryover to SFY10.**

Off Agenda Item – Mark Masterson announced that the African American Coalition is pursuing the funding opportunity under the FY09 Gang Prevention Coordination Assistance Program; therefore, Sedgwick County will not prepare an application.

XII. Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Update – Mark Masterson reminded the Board that the strategic planning meeting with the Burns Institute is scheduled for February 13th.

XIII. Other Business – A flyer was included in the handouts for Dr. Latessa’s presentation “*What Works in Reducing Recidivism with Youthful Offender*” that is scheduled for February 26, 2009 (9:00 A.M. – Noon) at the Wichita State University Metropolitan Campus – Auditorium.