

## TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES

July 10, 2009

**Members Present:** Brian Black (via conference call), Judge James Burgess, Kathy Dittmer, Pat Hanrahan, Karen Langston, Emile McGill, Shawna Mobley, Terri Moses, Jeanette Clary for Ron Paschal, Deborah Donaldson for Tom Pletcher, Richard Powell, Stephanie Springer, Marvin Stone Jr., Riley Williams and Denise Wren

**Members Absent:** Jean Hogan

**Guests:** Deborah Diggs, Liane Felton, Lori Jacobs, Representative Melody McCray-Miller, Dale McMullen, Terri Patterson, Michelle Scheu, Cornelia Stevens, Steven Stonehouse, Soutdaly Sysavath and John Waller

**Staff:** Mark Masterson, Chris Morales and Kelli Jones

**I. Approval of Team Justice Minutes and Ratify Action Items from the 6/5/09 Meeting–ACTION ITEM: Pat Hanrahan moved, Riley Williams seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve the Team Justice Minutes and ratify action items from the 6/5/09 Meeting, as submitted.**

**II. Governor’s Conference Discussion** – Mark Masterson and Team Justice members shared their comments regarding the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Governor’s Conference on Juvenile Justice. Recognition was given to Spirit AeroSystems for their sponsorship of the conference, House of Schwan for donating beverages for the reception at Cowtown, the City of Wichita for offering scholarships that allowed local substance abuse providers an opportunity to attend the conference, and the numerous volunteers that were involved in planning the conference. The Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA) reported that this year’s attendance was the highest in the 10 year history of the conference. Most participants appreciated the conference being held in Wichita. Others shared that they were impressed with the quality of the keynote speakers and overall organization of the conference.

Dale McMullen, Director of Youth for Christ’s City Works Job Program, had the opportunity to meet with Father Greg Boyle, founder of Homeboy Industries, at the conference. The City Works Job Program is patterned after the Homeboy Industries program in Los Angeles. Homeboy Industries was created to provide training and work experience for youth interested in leaving the gang lifestyle. After the conference Dale had the opportunity to travel to Los Angeles and tour the Homeboy Industries operation.

**III. Review Burns Institute’s Analysis of Sedgwick County Arrest Data** – Board members received a copy of the PowerPoint presentation that the Burns Institute created as an analysis of the Sedgwick County arrest data. They will be visiting Wichita again in September and the data/questions presented in this PowerPoint will be the focus of their work.

**IV. Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Update** – Mark Masterson reported on his recent trip to Pierce County, Washington, with Judge Flaigle, Larry Ternes and Dawn Befort. Pierce County is a current partner in the DMC Action Network, funded by the MacArthur Foundation. Pierce County has successfully taken evidence-based practices and integrated them into their juvenile justice system. The key components of their system include: data-driven decision making, statewide assessments, cognitive-behavioral groups conducted by probation officers, specialized programming for moderate and high risk offenders, mentoring and service coordination for low risk offenders, the elimination of all residential care other than juvenile correctional facility placements, a focus on community-based services, probation terms that do not last longer than 12 months and specialized programming to address trauma needs.

- V. Customer Satisfaction Survey** – Chris Morales reminded board members and service providers to complete the on-line Customer Satisfaction Survey. Results will be presented at the August 7<sup>th</sup> Team Justice meeting.
- VI. Other Business** – Mark reported that JJA is beginning their statewide evaluation of community-funded programs. A survey has been sent to program directors across the state who receive JJA funding. Mark encouraged providers to complete this survey in a timely manner.

At this time there will be no further State Fiscal Year 2010 budget reductions for Sedgwick County. The Beloit Juvenile Correctional Facility will close in August.

The August 7<sup>th</sup> Team Justice meeting will be held at the Ark Valley Lodge, 615 N. Main. Board members and guests may park in the parking garage and their ticket will be validated.