TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES
October 7, 2022 (In-Person & Via Zoom)

Members Present:
In Person: Mark Masterson (Chair), Terri Moses (Vice Chair), Peter Shay, Ron Paschal, Jason Stephens, Clayton Barth, Bach Hang, Shantel Westbrook (arrived at 11:44am)
Zoom: none

Members Absent: Amanda Kingrey, Jose Sambrano, Kristin Peterman, Judge Kellie Hogan, Karen Dunlap, Taishma Owens-Council

Guests:
In Person: none
Zoom: Elisa Thompson, Donna Longsworth, Chad Childs, Nicole Hoyt, Sonya Miller, Donna Longsworth

Staff:
In Person: Chase Tipton, Steve Stonehouse, Mario Salinas, Kevin Cocking
Zoom: Alex Allbaugh, Stacy Bell, Chris Collins-Thoman (out from 11:53am – 12:09pm)

WSU Consultant: Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland (In Person), Sienna Chaney-Carter (In Person)

I. Introductions and Announcements:
   a. Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) Update– Chase announced that Hope Cooper, Deputy Secretary of Juvenile and Adult Community-Based Services for the KDOC, has resigned from her position. A transition plan has yet to be made public.

II. ACTION ITEM: Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 9/9/22 Meeting. Quorum was not met during this Team Justice meeting; this Action Item was tabled until the November meeting.

III. Update on Annual JCAB Report – Chase updated the board that the Annual JCAB Report has been successfully submitted to the KDOC-JS. Previous motion made during the September meeting did not include language for authorizing the chair to sign with subsequent submission to KDOC-JS, however, the report was submitted in order to meet deadline requirements as it was believed that this was the intent of the motion.
   a. ACTION ITEM: Approve Team Justice Annual Report with additional approval for any technical modifications and authorize the chair to sign with subsequent submission to KDOC-JS. Prior motion did not address authorizing the chair to sign with subsequent submission to KDOC-JS. Quorum was not met during this Team Justice meeting; this Action Item was tabled until the November meeting.

IV. Evidence Based Funding for SFY24 – Chase informed the board that the SFY24 Evidence Based Funding application will be made available in early November 2022 with submission for Team Justice consideration in February 2023. Dr. Craig-Moreland will host a meeting with all interested applicants in November to address concerns and to review priorities for funding/gaps in services that have been previously identified by Team Justice. Applicants attending this meeting will be given consideration in prioritizing award amounts. Previous application deadlines has been identified as a barrier for some community providers, it is believed that the increased timeline will allow for a broader range of applications being submitted.
   a. Discuss options for supporting a program targeting youth with weapons related charges – Board members discussed options that would increase youth/family involvement and increase incentives to participate in programming. Included in the conversation was a review of current community resources, the need to fund a program that is organic, and the possibility of the Coordination of Services program playing a role in the education piece of a program.

V. Data and Program Updates:
   a. Data Update – Mario reviewed data updates included in the meeting packet and was available to address questions from the board. Included in the conversation, Mario updated the board that the County has a new
vendor providing electronic monitoring services.

b. Juvenile Residential Facility/alternatives to detention – Mario provided an update to the board that due to continued staff vacancy rates, JRF did not have sufficient staff to operate safely and therefore the license remains on hold. JRF will be considered for resuming normal operations once staffing rates at JDF reach 75%. The board was notified that the Evening Reporting Center (ERC) Program has moved to the Juvenile Residential Facility and Juvenile Field Services is now operating where the former Criminal Justice Alternatives (CJA) program was held. Mario also provided an update that Kevin Cocking has recently been named the Juvenile Field Services Administrator. Board members were given an opportunity to congratulate Kevin on his new role.

VI. Community Task Force Recommendations – Steve provided information to the board regarding the Community Task Force that reviewed the circumstances around the death of Cedric Lofton. Updates to the board included a new community dashboard where the public will be able to view progress made towards Community Task Force recommendations.

VII. Other Business: Shantel Westbrook shared that COMCARE’s recent salary increases, specifically for those in the role of case managers and therapist, has made a significant impact with filling vacant positions which will allow more clients to receive services.

Meeting Adjourned

The next meeting will be held on November 4, 2022 (Ronald Reagan Building, 271 W. 3rd St. N – 3rd Floor)