**TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES**

**April 5, 2024 (In-Person & Via Zoom)**

**Members Present:**

In Person: Peter Shay (Chair), Amanda Kingrey, Kristin Peterman, Mark Masterson, Terri Moses, Sonya Miller (for Ron Paschal), Jazmine Rogers, Shantel Westbrook, Tiffinie Irving, Daniel Bateman, Joplin Emberson

**Zoom:**

Josef Hamilton

**Members Absent:**

Jose Sambrano (Vice-chair), Bach Hang, Kellie Hogan, Jason Stephens, Clayton Barth

**Staff:**

In Person: Steve Stonehouse, Mario Salinas, Lesa Lank, Andrea Drinnen, Julee Meslin, Barrett Ancelet

Zoom: Chris Morales, Stacy Bell, Kevin Cocking, Karla Seymore, Alex Allbaugh

**Guests:**

Zoom: Elisa Thompson

1. **Introductions and Announcements** – New Team Justice Committee Member was introduced. Jazmine Rogers is the teen representative newly appointed.
2. **ACTION ITEM: Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 3/1/24 meeting. Amanda Kingrey motioned, Terri Moses seconded. The motion carried to approve the Team Justice Minutes from 3/1/24 meeting.**
3. **ACTION ITEM: Approve SFY24 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan grant application.** Specific information was provided within the meeting packet to all members. Mario Salinas updated the board that there will be a continuation of existing services for juvenile clients at Juvenile Field Services (JFS) and Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center (JIAC). Providing Opportunities While Ending Recidivism (POWER) and Alternatives to Detention (ATD) are also included in this application for JIAC as a continuation of the KDOC approved expansion of services for supervision. The Delinquency Prevention allocation provides funding to continue contracting with Rise up for Youth mentoring services and providing legal defense to clients. The SFY25 allocation provides flat funding from SFY24. The board was asked to approve the SFY25 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan grant application for submission to Sedgwick County BOCC, authorize the chair to sign and allow for any technical modifications that may be needed. **Terri Moses motioned to approve, Tiffinie Irving seconded. There were no objections, the motion carried to approve the SFY25 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan.**
4. **Legislative Update –** Steve Stonehouse presented an overview of the legislative bills currently being proposed and those that were not adopted. The bill to eliminate all fines and fees for juvenile offenders was not approved to move forward. A bill to set maximum case length limit extensions is currently being considered. There will also be more concentration of re-entry work and working with State agencies.
5. **Community Task Force Recommendations Update –** Mario Salinas gave an update of the Individual Justice Plan (IJP) training that was held on March 29. Wichita State University (WSU) hosted the training and around 150 stakeholders and service providers were in attendance. The next step is drafting a Memorandum of Understanding with the Sheriff’s Office to upload IJP snapshots to their Records Management System (RMS). Training is complete for those who will send the referrals and complete the IJP’s. The Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF) / JIAC facility camera upgrades are still pending and updates will be presented as they are received.
6. **Kansas Juvenile Justice Stepping Up Initiative –** A handout was provided outlining the launching of the nation’s first juvenile justice-focused Stepping Up initiative to address the prevalence of behavioral health needs among youth in Kansas. This model will mirror current initiatives in place for adult programs. Through this project, Kansas will expand best practices centered on reducing the use of detention and increasing connections to care for youth with serious behavioral needs.
7. **Kansas Fights Addiction Grant Review –** Steve provided an overview for a grant application that focuseson Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Abatement Programs. Applications are being accepted for 2024 and the purpose of the program is to prevent, reduce, treat or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction. The priority areas of focus are treatment, recovery, harm reduction and link to care. In Sedgwick County, the largest gap in services is for female and male youth under the age of 16.
8. **Data and Program Updates –** Mario Salinas provided an overview of the juvenile detention continuum to the board for January and February. The current backlog of youth pending transfer to the juvenile correctional facility has been significantly reduced with Odyssey back online. The Juvenile Residential Facility (JRF) continues to remain at full capacity and remains a resource for Police Protective Custody (PPC) youth. The department is still working on getting clarification of sanctions as they relate to HB2021.
9. **Other Business –** Starting July 1, 2024 Ember Hope will be the new foster care provider for Sedgwick County previously run by St. Francis. Both parties, as well as COMCARE, are working together to transition before the July 1st date. Ember Hope plans to implement a case team specifically managing crossover youth. With summer arriving, none of the school liaisons will be available and COMCARE will be the point of contact during that time. DOC plans to bring information on next steps for unexpended Evidence Base Programming funds in May.

**Meeting Adjourned**

**The next meeting will be held on May 3, 2024 (Juvenile Detention Facility 700 S. Hydraulic 2nd Floor).**