

**Virtual Juvenile Crime Prevention Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, June 3, 2024 1:00 p.m. Virtual**

**Roll Call for Attendance**

Rick Ammons, Keith Brown, Christa Smith, Shontell Robinson, Sonja Williams, Andrew Keever, Honorable Ted Kazakos, Sharon Singletary, Joshua Swift, Phoua Martin, Shatarra Smith, Lori Edwards, Dr. Jack Monell, Judge Denise Hartsfield, Al Jabbar, Clinton Wilson, Dandridge Emerson

**Staff Present**

Rich Smith and Iesha Carter

**Program Managers**

Amanda Causey (TRJ), Brittany Travis (Insight), Danielle Johnson (YWCA), Elizabeth Miller (Parenting Path), Lynn Rhoades (Authoring Action), Valerie Glass (TRJ), Terra Lataille (Project X), Jennifer Cassels (Family Services), Chef Kimberly (Aspire)

**Approval of Minutes from June 3, 2024**

Motion to Approve: (1) Al Jabaar (2) Jack Monell

Attachments: April 1, 2024 Minutes

**Community Resource Map**

Shaylee Bowen presented Community Resource Map via the Community Resources and Assets application to show a map of Resources/Organizations in the community supporting juveniles. Application allows you to search by Category, Location Radius, and use a Find feature. Ms. Bowen asked for feedback from JCPC on how the application can better serve organizations.

Attachments: Community Resource Map

**Elections-Chair/Vice Chair 2024-2025**

- Chair – Sharon Singletary
  - o Motion to Approve: (1) Keith Brown, (2) Al Jabbar
- Vice Chair – Jack Monell
  - o Motion to Approve: (1) Al Jabbar, (2) Shontell Robinson

Succession Plan discussion to be considered in the future as Vice Chair is expected to succeed the Chair.

**Update on Reappointments**

Applications for reappointments must be received by 5pm on Monday, June 17, 2024. For possible consideration at the June 27, 2024, Board of Commissioners meetings.

New JCPC Council Members: Christa Smith (Director of Social Services, Jalissa Truesdale (United Way Representative or Other Nonprofit Agency), Fabby Williams (filling in for WSFCS appointee Jesse Pratt no longer with WSFCS)

Currently one open position – Person Under Age of 21 – Per Rich Smith statue change that allows for someone over Age of 21 Advocating for Juveniles to be consider for the position as well.

### **Program Revisions**

Aspire submitted a revision after the stated policy deadline (Monday before the JCPC Meeting) and motion was made to not accept revision submitted late.

- Motion to Approve: (1) Al Jabbar, (2) Shatarra Smith

Motion for each revision.

- Attachments: Revisions
- Family Services:
  - Needs to shift funds around in categories that were underspending, and not going to be able to be fulfilled by the end of the grant period
  - Motion to Approve: (1) Al Jabbar, (2) Jack Monell
- Parenting Path (PATTs):
  - Not asking for JCPC funds. But asking to add funds to budget to fund case management through Action4Equity Afterschool program.
  - Motion to Approve: (1) Sharon Singletary (2) Al Jabbar
- Teen Court (YWCA):
  - Decrease salaries and Increase contractor for Greg Squire as he is needed for cross training. Squire's contract was extended after March as new hire was not hired until July.
  - Motion to Approve: (1) Denise Hartsfield (2) Al Jabbar
- Youth Collaborative (Project X):
  - Lapse salary from vacancy is requested to be moved to office supplies, communication, and advertising for the position.
  - Motion to Approve: (1) Jack Monell (2) Al Jabbar

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for grant by Parent Path**

- Attachment: MOU with Parent Path
- Parenting Path discussed a MOU to be signed by a public Juvenile Justice agency by sharing example of MOU for PATTs program. Information presented to JCPC left council with more questions than understanding. After several minutes of conversation regarding a MOU and who should sign it, JCPC concluded that an MOU for a federal grant supporting Parenting Path would need to be presented to JCPC before they can support or sign MOU.
- Motion to Support MOU once presented: (1) Judge Hartsfield (2) Al Jabbar

### **Asset Resolution Meeting Request**

Per Rich, Children's Center of Northwest North Carolina (CCNC) reached out with a cash offer to retain the assets purchased via the Temporary Shelter program no longer in service. JCPC Executive Board will meet CCNC and announce decision in next meeting.

### **Cure Violence Update**

- Remove Shontell name from agenda and add Joshua Swift
- Cure Violence Program had no shootings or deaths in over 200 days in Beat 222
- May 2024 - one fatal shooting
- Forsyth Wins to hold a Father's Day event June 12 from 2pm-5pm (Location TBD)

### **NC Department of Public Safety – Community Programs - Consultant’s Report – Rich Smith**

- JCPC Policy needs to be updated annually
- Attachment – Forsyth Youth Served by Referral – *Attachment shows programs by referral source for the last eleven months. The report will be available bi-monthly.*

### **Juvenile Justice Update**

- 12 Court Counselors (still need to fill 2 positions)
- Looking forward to Summer Break

### **Other Announcements**

- Authoring Action (Just Us Program) – Summer Program July 1<sup>st</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> and open to referrals. Spring Graduation is upcoming. Screen will be Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at Aperture Cinema
- Amanda - Triad Restorative Justice – Serving youth overcapacity. Referrals coming from multiple organizations, but DJJ referrals are priority. Next Restart class to begin in August 2024. The current class ends June 2024.
- Terra Lataille - Youth Collaborative – met yearly goal for those to be served. Attendance at 100% with youth gaining and maintaining employment, youth looking into Job Corp, Barber School and welding and career paths.
- Chef Kimberly - Aspire – 15 referrals for the JITT Program. Youth learning communication skills and culinary skills. Kids at Work is working on two classes this summer. Forward Focus program has upcoming trips to expose youth to career options include HVAC company tour, CPR Training, Lifeguard employment options, Barber School Tour, CDL Tour, Goodwill Free Training, etc.
- Elizabeth Miller – estimating 30 kids participating in the Piedmont Circle program

### **Adjournment**

- Motion to Approve: (1) Lori Edwards (2) Shatarra Smith