DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

for

**HOKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**

January 20th, 2021 at 1:00pm on “Zoom”

JCPC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson and Member of Faith Community Linda Revels, Vice Chair and Member of Business Community Ronald Flippin, School Superintendent Designee Yohan Namkung, District Attorney Designee Randy Jones, Chief Court Counselor Megan Tarver, Director of Area LME/MCO Designee April Locklear, Director of Dept. Social Services Designee Tom Landry, Family Advocate LaKendrick Smith, Parks & Recreation Director Designee Gwendolyn Quick, County Commissioner Appointee Jackie McLean, County Commissioner Appointee Daphne Dudley, County Commissioner Appointee Shirlyn Morrison-Sims, County Commissioner Appointee

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lance Britt, NC DPS Area Consultant Lorraine Landry, JCPC Coordinator Ophelia Ray, MOCEDC Program Manager Brittany Gillespie, Y.E.S. Program Coordinator Patrell Ray, RTS Mentoring Program Coordinator Brandy McPherson, Teen Court Coordinator Clint Williams, Family Services NC

CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION

**Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson**, called the meeting to order at 1:07pm.

*(There was a quorum with 13 members present.)*

**Ronald Flippin** said the invocation.

1. PROGRAM REPORTS

*(Teen Court’s expense reports for December 2020 were submitted to JCPC on 1-13-21. MOCEDC’s December 2020 reports were submitted on 1-14-21. All were emailed to board members for their review on 1-14-21.)*

MOCEDC’s “Road to Success” Mentoring Program – **Miss Patrell Ray**, Program Coordinator reported that the program has served a total of 9 youth, with 2 of them successfully terminated. Their end count is 2 and their beginning count was 4. She reported that on 1-21-21 a virtual Parent Engagement Event will take place. They have also joined with an organization for assistance with getting more mentors. Program is awaiting referrals.

MOCEDC’s “Rebuilding the Dream” Structured Day Program – **Miss Ophelia Ray**, Program Manager reported since there is no Coordinator. She shared that since there are still no court or school referrals since school is still not in session. They have used the staff time to reach out to community. She shared she is not sure how things will move forward for the rest of the school year. MOCEDC’s “Youth Engage in Service” Community Service Program – **Miss Brittany Gillespie**, Program Coordinator reported that 2 youth are currently being served and one of them is expected to terminate at the end of January. They have served 6 total this year and are awaiting further referrals. She shared that they hope to work with the new “Habitat for Humanity ReStore”.

Project Reverso’s Teen Court Program – **Miss Brandy McPherson**, Program Coordinator reported that they currently have 2 active youth enrolled in the program. The hearing will be on 1-28-21 and the volunteers are excited to serve on a jury. Teen Court co-hosted a 5K Walk event with NAACP in November and gained their newest volunteer. They also launched a new student initiative called Buddy System, which was the result of the students recognizing the need for mental health among their peers because of pandemic. She also shared how successful their Holiday Project was with over 200 items donated to give as gifts. Their quarterly newsletter recently went out.

There were no questions or concerns for any of the programs.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson,** asked if the board members reviewed the minutes from the November 18th, 2020 meeting and if there was a motion to approve them as written.

**Jackie McLean** motioned to accept the minutes for 11-18-20 as written.

**Ronald Flippin** seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

1. JCPC COORDINATOR’S REPORT

**Lorraine Landry**, JCPC Coordinator, reported on the following:

Administration Budget FY 2020-21 Update –

*(A current balance sheet was sent out to board members on 1-14-21.)*

Out of the $10,700 budget there is a current balance of $7,130.01. She informed the council that a Budget Revision is needed because of the unspent dollars in Line Item #390 for a Legislative Event ($1,000) and for smaller community events for Public Relations ($200). Lorraine Landry and Daphne Dudley agreed that these funds will be better utilized in the following way:

$400 to purchase Adobe Acrobat program (3-year subscription)

$300 for WebEx fees and postage costs

$500 to provide curb-side-pick-up boxed lunches for council members 3x this remaining year **Lorraine Landry** explained a few of the line item balances in detail and asked if there were any questions about any of the figures. No board action is required. There were no questions or concerns.

1. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Linda Revels**, **Vice Chairperson**, asked for reports from each committee chair:

Risk Needs & Assessment Committee – In the committee chairperson’s absence**, Lance Britt** explained in detail the Annual Risk & Needs Summary for FY 2020-21 (e*mailed to the council for their review and also “shared” on the Zoom screen for participants of meeting*). There were no questions about the report after the review.

**Linda Revels** asked if there was motion to approve this summary.

**Jackie McLean** motioned to approve the Annual Planning Summary FY 2020-21.

**Megan Tarver** seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

Funding Committee – **Daphne Dudley**, Committee Chairperson, presented the RFP Distribution List for approval and asked if anyone had suggested updates. There were none.

**Jackie McLean** motioned to accept the RFP Distribution List to be used for this year.

**Gwendolyn Quick** seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

1. AREA CONSULTANT’S REPORT

**Lance Britt**, NC DPS Area Consultant, discussed the following:

Option for 2-Year Planning & Funding Cycle – (*A pros/con chart was “shared” on the screen for participants*.) This can be decided by the Funding Committee after receiving response from the RFP and no board action is required. If JCPC decides to go with the 2-year option, the annual monitoring and certification processes would remain the same. It would only eliminate the application process for the second year; the program would not have to seek approval the second year. **Lance Britt** suggested that each program is asked what their preference would be. The Funding Committee would consider their answer when deciding “who” to fund, “how much” and for “how long”.

Draft of Request for Proposals FY 2021-2022 – (*Template “shared” on screen*.) The new format was explained in detail; the necessary local information to be included before advertising. The suggested list of 21 program types was discussed. A grant writing workshop with several Area Consultants will be offered on Feb. 10th for new programs, but current programs are welcome to attend. The council was reminded to keep the RFP open for at least 30 days. Lance Britt asked if the council had any questions before approving the new RFP. There were none.

**Daphne Dudley** motioned to approve the new Request for Proposals FY 2021-2022 with the added necessary information.

**Ronald Flippin** seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

1. NEW BUSINESS

Late Disbursement Checks – **Jackie McLean** brought up Teen Court’s issue with receiving their JCPC funds late each month from the County Finance Dept. She reported that she spoke with Mr. James Leach, County Commissioner, who assured her that the funds were available at the county office. **Lance Britt** asked if Teen Court was the only JCPC program having this issue. **Lorraine Landry** informed him and the council that MOCEDC has notified her recently through email about the exact same issue. **Jackie McLean** stated that she was not informed of this. **Ophelia Ray** commented that this problem has existed for years and the reason they have not brought it to JCPC’s attention is that they’ve adjusted their payroll procedures and have become accustomed to it. **Lance Britt** stated that he receives notices when DPS distributes the funds in the middle of each month and he looked back over a year to confirm that funds were distributed regularly from the state. **Linda Revels** asked if a letter from the Chairperson to the County Commissioners and the Finance Dept. is necessary. **Jackie McLean** agreed it was. **Lorraine Landry** stated for the record that she and Rev. Anderson had an informal conversation with Garvin Ferguson, Finance Director, at a December Commissioners’ meeting where he assured that Teen Court’s checks have been issued on time; also that she has seen Mr. Ferguson walking Teen Court’s check over to their office.A list of exact dates of disbursements for this fiscal year will be provided to council by Coordinator to see if dates have been consistent. **Lance Britt** asked if the JCPC would like him to provide the disbursement notices to the County Finance Dept. **Ronald Flippin** asked if anyone has arranged to pick up the checks at the county building. **Jackie McLean** replied that Fridays after 2:00pm checks are available. She stated that now that she and the council are aware that it is an issue for all four programs and not just one, that as an advocate for the programs action needs to be taken. **Rev. Anderson** asked if there were any other comments regarding this issue.

New Sub-Committee Appointments – **Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson**, shared that Ronald Flippin would like to serve on the Risk & Needs Assessment Committee. **Gwen Quick** asked if Tom Landry could serve on the Bylaws Committee. **Tom Landry** agreed.

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hat/Gloves/Scarf/Blanket Drive – **Jackie McLean** announced this February 4th event. The Literacy Council is the drop off location.

“Breaking Every Chain” Re-Entry Council – **Ophelia Ray** announced that they are still distributing food vouchers and packages to senior citizens. She listed their services and asked for support.

Teen Court’s next Training Session – **Brandy McPherson** announced this will be January 21st.

Affairs of Family – **Brandy McPherson** also announced their Free Food Pantry outreach every Wednesday and Thursday.

1. ADJOURNMENT

**Rev. Al Anderson**, **Chairperson,** asked if there were any further concerns and if there was a motion to adjourn.

**Jackie McLean** motioned to adjourn.

**Linda Revels** seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 2:27pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Lorraine Landry,

Hoke County JCPC Coordinator