

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

for

**HOKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00pm

Robert A. Wright Agricultural Building (demo kitchen room)

JCPC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jackie McLean, Chairperson and Commissioner Appointee  
Ronald Flippin, School Superintendent Designee  
Randy Jones, Chief Court Counselor  
Don Woods, Director of Dept. Social Services Designee  
Gwen McGougan, County Manager Designee  
Richard Leak, Substance Abuse Professional  
Rev. Al Anderson, Member of Faith Community  
Commissioner James Leach, Hoke County Commissioner  
Raemi Cobb Braswell, Attorney  
Linda Revels, Member of Business Community (*left early*)  
Gina Daniels, Non-Profit Organization  
Taylor Thompson, Parks & Recreation Dept. Representative  
Daphne Dudley, County Commissioner Appointee  
Shirlyn Morrison-Sims, County Commissioner Appointee  
Shirley Hart, County Commissioner Appointee  
Darell McMillan, County Commissioner Appointee  
Susan Lynch, County Commissioner Appointee

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Cribb, NC DPS Area Consultant  
Lorraine Landry, JCPC Coordinator  
Brittany Gillespie, Y.E.S. Program Coordinator  
Brandy McPherson, Program Manager Molding Young Moguls  
Jada Maxwell, Teen Court Coordinator  
Anthony Short, Amethyst Consulting & Treatment Svcs.  
Tamika Jackson, Health Dept.  
Isley Cotton, NC Dept of Health and Human Services

CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / LUNCH (*“Domino’s Pizza”*)

**Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson**, called the meeting to order at 1:04pm.

*(There was a quorum with 16 members present.)*

**Mr. Ronald Flippin** began the meeting in prayer.

**I. PROGRAMS’ RESPONSES TO TOPIC:**

*“SHARE ANY TRANSPORTATION NEEDS YOUR STUDENTS HAVE AND HOW YOU HAVE ADDRESSED THEM.”*

**Brittany Gillespie** of MOCEDC shared that they utilize 3 vans for the Y.E.S. Restitution & Community Service program but currently no enrollees in RBD Structured Day program.

**Brandy McPherson** of Molding Young Moguls shared that they have access to a church van. She has also met with Nancy Thornton of H.A.T.S. about possibly using their services.

**Jada Maxell** of Teen Court shared they have a contract with H.A.T.S. for hearings and interviews but only one way. Transporting youth back home at 8:15pm is still a challenge.

**Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson** asked if there were any suggestions for the programs. **Randy Jones** suggested that the DJJ court counselors could possibly assist with the youth they have referred. There were no other questions or comments for the programs regarding the issue of transportation.

## II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson, asked if the board members reviewed the minutes from the 8-16-23 meeting and if there was a motion to approve them as written.

James Leach motioned to accept the JCPC meeting minutes from 8-16-23.

Al Anderson seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

## III. JCPC COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Lorraine Landry, JCPC Coordinator, reported on the following:

Administration Budget FY 2023-24 Update –

*(A current balance sheet was sent out to board members on 10-12-23.)*

Out of the \$9,700 budget there is a balance of \$7,313.

\$2,386 has been utilized with the biggest expense being in Line Item #260 Office Supplies (\$372.56 for new JCPC laptop).

## IV. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership & Nominating Committee – In Tom Landry's absence, Jackie McLean shared that Julie Hernandez is retiring from DJJ and will no longer serve as Randy Jones' designated member. Randy Jones will inform JCPC in the near future of his new choice of designee. She also asked the council for their approval of the following 2 recommended names for JCPC board membership for remainder of FY 23-24 through FY 24-25:

Isley Cotton, to fill the vacant County Commissioners' Appointee position

Tamika Jackson to fill Isley's vacant Health Director designee position

Jackie McLean asked if there was a motion.

Randy Jones motioned to approve both Isley Cotton and Tamika Jackson for JCPC membership.

Ronald Flippin seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Public Awareness Committee – Ronald Flippin, Committee Chairperson, reported that all is set for JCPC to have an information table at the "NC Fall Festival" this Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. He asked for more volunteers to assist. It was pointed out that there was a \$50 vendor fee, which came from the JCPC Administration Budget.

Risk Needs & Assessment Committee – Darrel McMillan, Committee Chairperson, reported that they met on 9-13-23 online and data is expected from the Health Dept., Parks & Rec Dept., SROs, City Police Dept. and Sheriff's Dept., and Teen Court. He shared that the law enforcement officers deal with the students at different times; SROs during school hours and city police during evenings and weekends. He will present a final report at the November council meeting. Jackie McLean asked if the committee could narrow it down to the top five greatest needs. Kelly Cribb added that she has the YASI data (*Youth Assessment Screening Instrument*) and that it needs to be included in the Risk & Needs Assessment Report.

Richard Leak asked if there was a protocol set up to speak with students at school. A discussion followed about the re-entry process for students, the lack of security on campus, the need for more teachers, the rise in mental health concerns, suicides, illegal use of vaporizers, etc.

V. AREA CONSULTANT'S REPORT

Mrs. Kelly Cribb, NC DPS Area Consultant, updated the council on the following:

- Teen Court Evaluations are underway; County of Hoke Teen Court program has been submitted.
- SPEP and QOS has been sent to the programs; in process of paperwork
- HEARTH Transitional Living program for ages 18-21 for 18 months for youth with prior DJJ involvement; referrals can come from anyone; she will forward details
- DPS Policy Feedback – she thanked those who submitted their suggestions
- Open Meetings – she reminded everyone that committee meetings can be attended by anyone

There were no questions from the council.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- “Friendsgiving Event” at C.H.A.N.G.E. Studio on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Mr. Anthony Short** of Amethyst Consulting & Treatment Solutions introduced himself and his new local service on Birch St. in Raeford that provides outpatient therapy, Multi-Systematic Therapy for juveniles working with caregivers and youth in homes. They are serving 20 families locally. DJJ referrals accepted. He expressed interest in returning to share more at the November meeting (*a few promotional items were distributed, leftover from their recent open house event*).

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson, asked if there were any further concerns and if there was a motion to adjourn.

Shirley Hart motioned to adjourn.

Daphne Dudley seconded.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:51pm.