

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

for

**HOKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL**

March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00pm

Robert A. Wright Agricultural Building banquet room

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  
Sgt. John Francois, Raeford Police Dept.  
Lt. Lee Davis, Sheriff's Designee  
Holly Smith, District Attorney Designee  
Mary Spell, Director of Area LME/MCO Designee  
Richard Leak, Substance Abuse Professional  
Commissioner James Leach, Hoke County Commissioner  
Tom Landry, Family Advocate  
Raemi Cobb Braswell, Attorney  
Gina Daniels, Non-Profit Organization  
Gwendolyn Quick, County Commissioner Appointee  
Don Woods, County Commissioner Appointee  
Daphne Dudley, County Commissioner Appointee  
Shirlyn Morrison-Sims, County Commissioner Appointee  
Shirley Hart, County Commissioner Appointee  
Darell McMillan, County Commissioner Appointee

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Cribb, NC DPS Area Consultant  
Lorraine Landry, JCPC Coordinator  
Brittany Gillespie, Y.E.S. Program Coordinator  
Glenda Thornabar, Mentoring Program Coordinator  
Jada Maxwell, Teen Court Coordinator  
Brandy McPherson, MYM Leadership Development  
Taylor Thompson, Parks & Rec Dept,  
Deputy Chen, Sheriff's Dept.  
Jashon Smith  
3 enrolled youth from MOCEDC

CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / LUNCH

**Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson**, gave thanks for the food at 1:02pm..

He then called the meeting to order at 1:10pm and **Daphne Dudley**, JCPC Board Member, said the invocation. *(There was a quorum with 18 members present.)*

**I. PROGRAM REPORTS**

*(Monthly expense reports were emailed to council on 3-8-23 and 3-14-23.)*

Project Reverso's Teen Court Program – **Miss Jada Maxwell**, Program Coordinator, reported the following:

- 14 youth served YTD; 4 terminated in February; no new referrals
- All meetings are in person
- Still lacking volunteers
- 4-3-23 Community Youth Fair (similar to job fair) at Wright Bldg. 4-6:00pm

Molding Young Moguls' Leadership Development Program – **Miss Brandy McPherson**, Program Manager, reported the following:

- Currently 15 youth enrolled; received 3 referrals in February
- 2 successful events: "Teen Talk" and "Wine Down"
- April's "Wine Down" event will cover referrals (sources are DJJ, Parks & Rec, LEO, Teen Court, MOCEDC, etc.)

MOCEDC’s “Rebuilding the Dream” Structured Day Program – Miss **Brittany Gillespie**, Program Manager, reported instead of Miss Glenda Thornabar, Program Coordinator, however, she introduced Miss Thornabor as MOCEDC’s newest hired coordinator. The following was reported:

- 3 youth enrolled (*in attendance*); completing 2 new intakes
- Project Alert assignments
- Pre-recorded lessons with “Walking Classroom” curriculum going well
- Representative from Domestic Violence speaks to youth on Fridays
- Youth have moved from the 117 W. Elwood Avenue location to their new location at 733 W. Prospect Avenue to focus on academics and STEM activities

**Ronald Flippin** asked if their program has been addressing the hazards of vaping with the students. **Brittany Gillespie** assured him that the issue is included in their curriculum.

MOCEDC’s “Road to Success” Mentoring Program – Miss **Brittany Gillespie** also reported the following for this program instead of the Program Coordinator:

- 3 youth enrolled; 7 served FY 22-23
- Focused on Black History Month activities
- Homework with youth

MOCEDC’s “Youth Engage in Service” Community Service Program – Miss **Brittany Gillespie**, Program Manager, reported the following:

- 4 youth enrolled; 2 terminated (one youth sent to detention)
- received 2 new referrals in March

There were no further questions or comments from the council to the programs.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson**, asked if the board members reviewed the minutes from the 2-15-23 meeting and if there was a motion to approve them as written.

**Commissioner Leach** motioned to approve the JCPC meeting minutes from 2-15-23 as written.

**Shirley Hart** 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 2022-23 Update –

(A current balance sheet was sent out to board members on 3-8-23.)

- \$6,216 has been spent of the \$9,700 Admin Budget, leaving a \$3,483 balance
- Line-item transfers will be made with a Budget Revision this month to adjust two line-items #260 (overspent due to laser printer early in FY) and #370 (overspent due to \$50 NC Fall Festival vendor fee not budgeted for)

**IV. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

Funding Committee – **Gwendolyn Quick**, Committee Co-Chair, informed the council that the Commissioners approved the Funding Recommendations FY 23-24 at their meeting on 3-6-23.

Bylaws Committee – **Raemi Braswell**, Committee Chairperson, reported that the committee met on 12-5-22 to review and amend the 11-page JCPC Bylaws. She highlighted the following proposed changes (*Amended Bylaws sent out to board members on 3-14-23*):

- Pg.2 RFP section
- Pg.3 adding grievance procedures for funding process
- Pg.4 designee approval
- Pg.4 location of JCPC records
- Pg.5 term limit added for elected JCPC officers
- Pg.6 rewording of choosing of Sub-Committees
- Pg.7 clarified procedures for canceling JCPC meetings
- Pg.11 added that Bylaws Committee will meet annually

**Commissioner Leach** asked for clarification on the funding process on Pg.3 regarding the grievance procedure and suggested to omit the Commissioners altogether to speed up the process. **Raemi Braswell** reread the steps. **Commissioner Leach** stated that the County Manager does not have the information nor do the Commissioners want the responsibility of handling a program's grievance and will send the complaint back to JCPC. **Kelly Cribb** stated that it is exact DPS policy to follow the order stated in the bylaws. **Holly Smith** clarified the appeal needs to be initiated within 10 days. **Raemi Braswell** pointed out that these were just proposed changes. **Rev. Anderson** asked for clarification on the timeline. **Kelly Cribb** restated the appeal process as follows:

1. An appeal is made to the local JCPC Funding Committee within 10 days of notification...
2. ...then to the JCPC Board Members
3. ...then to the County Manager
4. ...then to County Commissioners
5. ...then to Cindy Porterfield, DPS Director of Community Programs (through the Area Consultant) who will have the final say.

There was further discussion about JCPC's part in the process. **Kelly Cribb** assured the council that it is beneficial to have a process in place and that both sides would be considered and everything would be taken into account before a final decision is made by Cindy Porterfield, much like a court case. She agreed to present Commissioner Leach's concerns to her supervisor.

**Linda Revels** commended the Bylaws Committee for their work and asked if there was further questions or comments about any other amended sections. **Tom Landry** pointed out that appeals hold up the entire funding process for all involved, so it is a good thing for there to be a quick turnaround.

**Linda Revels** asked if there was a motion to approve the amended Hoke County JCPC Bylaws. **Tom Landry** motioned to approve the amendments to the Hoke County JCPC Bylaws. **Gwendolyn Quick** seconded the motion.

All were in favor. **Commissioner Leach** went on record as "no vote". Motion carried.

#### V. AREA CONSULTANT'S REPORT

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Accounting – deadline 3-24-23

Discretionary Funds FY 22-23 - details being emailed to programs soon

VI. NCJSA SPRING CONFERENCE FOLLOW-UP

Rev. Anderson, Chairperson, thanked the council for approving the reimbursement of his conference expenses and shared the various speakers' topics that he enjoyed.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Free Computers from ADS – Shirlyn Morrison-Sims announced availability of 50 desktops free to students coming in May 2023.

Vaping Issues – Shirlyn Morrison-Sims announced this for 4-5-23 at Turlington School at 10am

Night for Literacy Learning – Ronald Flippin announced this for 3-16-23 at Hoke High School

MBC Community Meeting – Ronald Flippin announced this for 3-16-23 at 6:30pm

Annual Recovery Walk – Shirley Hart announced this for 4-22-23 at 9:00am

Aquatic Center's Open House – James Leach announced this for 4-1-23 at 10:00am

Easter Egg Hunt – Rev. Anderson announced this for 4-10-23 at 11:00am at Robbins Heights Park

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Linda Revels motioned to adjourn.

Daphne Dudley seconded.

All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.