

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

for

HOKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

March 20th, 2024 at 1:00pm

Robert A. Wright Agricultural Building (demo kitchen room)

JCPC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jackie McLean, Chairperson and Commissioner Appointee
Tom Landry, Vice Chair and Family Advocate
Ronald Flippin, School Superintendent Designee
Sgt. John Francois, Raeford Police Dept.
Lt. Lee Davis, Sheriff's Designee
Michael Davis, Chief Court Counselor Designee
Mary Spell, Director of Area LME/MCO Designee
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
Tamika Jackson, Health Dept. Director Designee
Gina Daniels, Non-Profit Organization
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
Ophelia Ray, MOCEDC Program Manager
Brittany Gillespie, Y.E.S. Program Coordinator
Brandy McPherson, Program Manager Molding Young Moguls
J'Leesa Haigh, Molding Young Moguls
Jada Maxwell, Teen Court Coordinator
Debra Evans
Lisa Piette-Edwards

CALL TO ORDER / INVOCATION / LUNCH ("Subway")

Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

(There was a quorum with 17 members present.)

Mrs. Daphne Dudley began the meeting in prayer.

I. AREA CONSULTANT'S REPORT

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

- DPS requesting \$5 M for expansion funds for programs addressing gun violence; documentary on Gun Violence Initiative was discussed
- NC S.A.F.E. Initiative campaign June 2-8th, 2024; additional gun safes possibly available
- NC JSA Spring Conference May 1-3rd registration filling up quickly
- JCPC Policy Manual effective 7-1-24; programs responsible to update their manuals to comply to new policy changes; she encouraged programs to read and understand changes
- 3rd Quarter Accounting due 3-22-24 by 5:00pm

There were no questions for Miss Kelly.

II. PROGRAMS' RESPONSES TO TOPIC:

HOW IS YOUR PROGRAM LOOKING FOR PERMANENT FUNDING? WHAT PROGRESS HAVE YOU MADE SO FAR? HOW CAN JCPC ASSIST YOU IN THIS EFFORT?

(Feb. 2024 reports were emailed to council on 3-13-24 and 3-20-24.)

Rebuilding the Dream Juvenile Structured Day – **Ophelia Ray** shared that MOCEDC is in process of applying for funds from Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for their Connecting Families program; applications are due 4-15-24; JCPC can assist by writing a letter of support.

Y.E.S. Community Service & Restitution – **Ophelia Ray** shared that MOCEDC is applying for funds from Kentucky Fried Center for a downtown art project to increase awareness and gain volunteers.

Jackie McLean asked if the issue with Connecting Families was fixed and are there onsite counselors provided for students? **Miss Ray** replied it was and there are, but it is not mandated.

There were no further questions regarding MOCEDC's two programs.

Molding Young Moguls – **Brandy McPherson** shared the four sources they are seeking funding from are grants, corporate sponsorships, donors and paid trainings; currently applying for grants; approached Unilever in hopes of their support as a corporate sponsor; more donation opportunities now, such as on website; possibility of monetizing training other organizations to start their youth programs.

She also mentioned a live Q&A session on the local radio station and some PSAs that are being worked on, which is a collaboration of all JCPC programs and Mr. Flippin to increase awareness, gain volunteers, enroll youth and possibly donors. **Darrell McMillan** asked if Unilever could provide summer jobs for the youth. A discussion followed about the corporation's policy. There were no further questions about this program.

Teen Court – **Jada Maxwell** shared that it has been difficult to find grants available for local government agencies since Teen Court is not a 501-c-3 organization, but they are continuing their search; JCPC can assist by writing a letter of support if additional funding source is found.

There was a discussion on the benefits of partnering to make grants more effective and the value of letters of support from the agencies represented from within the JCPC board members.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Jackie McLean, Chairperson, asked if the board members reviewed the minutes from the 2-21-24 meeting and if there was a motion to approve them as written.

Ronald Flippin motioned to approve the JCPC meeting minutes from 2-21-24 as written, with any necessary corrections.

Rev. Al Anderson seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL FOR USE OF JCPC ADMINISTRATION FUNDS TO REIMBURSE JCPC MEMBER(S) FOR NCJSA SPRING CONFERENCE 2024 EXPENSES

Jackie McLean reported that two council members have previously expressed interest in being reimbursed; **Ronald Flippin** and **Rev. Anderson**. **Lorraine Landry** stated that there is \$400 available in the budget for training expenses, which would only offset the cost (approximately \$120 for conference registration and \$119 per night for lodging, totaling \$358). **Ronald Flippin** stated he will not be able to attend.

Don Woods motioned to approve the use of the \$400 available for training expenses in the JCPC Admin Budget FY 23-24 to partially reimburse **Rev. Al Anderson** for the NCJSA Spring Conference 2024 expenses.

Daphne Dudley seconded the motion.

Shirlyn Morrison-Sims inquired about the possibility of increasing funds for training in future Administration Budgets to allow two council members to attend future training conferences.

Lorraine Landry clarified that the usual \$600 budgeted was adjusted this FY to cover other expenses, bringing it down to \$400, however, the usual \$600 would not be enough to reimburse two council members' expenses in full. **Daphne Dudley** pointed out that there is not enough funds

in the state allocation to justify fully paying for two council members' to attend future conferences; it would result in subtracting funding from the youth programs. A discussion followed about rotating which council member benefits from these reimbursements when attending trainings. **Jackie McLean** asked Kelly Cribb about the possibility of bringing a trainer in from DPS to train council as a whole. She will look into it. **Tom Landry** suggested that Rev. Anderson relay the information from the NCJSA Conference to the council at the May meeting. **Jackie McLean** asked if there was any further discussion before voting. There were none. All were in favor. Motion carried.

V. 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 3-20-24.)

- 3rd Quarter Accounting has been submitted; the budget is where it should be at this time
- Line Item #320 Communications and Line Item #370 Advertising are both completely spent
- Line Item #390 Other Services will soon reflect the \$400 just approved for training expenses

There were no questions regarding the JCPC Admin Budget.

VI. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tom Landry, Vice Chairperson, asked for reports from each committee chair, beginning with his own committee:

Membership & Nominating Committee – **Tom Landry** updated the council on the following:

- Newest Member - Mr. Michael Davis of DJJ was approved by the County Commissioners on 3-18-24 the County Commissioners as our newest council member. He will serve as the Chief Court Counselor's designee.
- Board Vacancies – there are two vacant seats; *Youth Under Age 21* and *Local Business Owner*; the Chamber of Commerce director, Stephanie Hendrix, has been contacted for a suggested local business owner to approach
- Nominations for new slate of JCPC Officers – he will have a brief virtual meeting with the committee and then send out the request for nominations for FY 24-25 for Chair and Vice Chair
- Membership Terms – the attendance records and term lengths will be reviewed to see if any council members' terms are up for renewal

Funding Committee – **Jackie McLean**, Committee Chairperson, reported that the County Commissioners also approved JCPC's Funding Recommendations for FY 24-25 totaling \$165,302 at their meeting on 3-18-24 as follows:

\$9,700 Administration Budget
 \$55,000 Molding Young Moguls
 \$50,000 Teen Court
 \$40,000 Y.E.S. Community Service
 \$10,602 R.B.D. Structured Day

Jackie McLean began a discussion about a possible discrepancy in the approved funding amount for Rebuilding the Dream Structured Day being \$10,602, but after a closer look it was indeed correct. **Ophelia Ray** stated that she thought the JCPC letter of approval she received last month noted the amount as \$15,602. **Lorraine Landry** clarified that what was approved by the County on 3-18-24 totals the \$165,302 amount allocated to Hoke County and that she will confirm the correct amount typed in Miss Ophelia Ray's letter being \$10,602 for Structured Day and will follow up after the

meeting. She also stated that there is nothing for JCPC to approve today, but rather the figures were being reported of what was already approved for the record.

Public Awareness Committee – **Ronald Flippin**, Committee Chairperson, reported that the programs have collaborated their efforts to promote their programs as follows:

- Teen Court will be running a newspaper ad on 3-27-24
- Live Q & A session on the local radio station called “Live for \$25”
- Pre-recorded PSA messages will be edited before airing

A discussion followed concerning the goal of these advertisements; if enrollment criteria will be addressed; and what the referral sources will end up being. There was a concern if each program will be able to present their specific information. **Ophelia Ray** was concerned about the expense of the ads. **Ronald Flippin** assured everyone that the proper information will be communicated clearly and that his committee will meet before anything is confirmed.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Talent Expo – **Brandy McPherson** promoted this event for May 4th 12:00-2:00pm at the library stage (ADS, Teen Court and MYM); food from Open Door Soup Kitchen; resource fair

Day of Caring – **Brittany Gillespie** promoted this beautification event for May 10th at MOCEDC’s facility; details will follow.

Road to Success Trade Academy – **Ophelia Ray** promoted the grand opening of this on April 6th at 10:00am

VIII. 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.

Mary Spell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05.