

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

for

HOKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

August 17th, 2022 at 1:00pm

Hybrid Meeting: Hoke County Public Library and “Zoom” *

JCPC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson and Member of Faith Community
Linda Revels, Vice Chair and Member of Business Community
Julie Hernandez, Chief Court Counselor Designee
April Locklear, Director of Dept. Social Services Designee *
Gwen McGougan, County Manager Designee
Richard Leak, Substance Abuse Professional
Commissioner James Leach, Hoke County Commissioner
Tom Landry, Family Advocate
Isley Cotton, Health Director Designee
Gwendolyn Quick, County Commissioner Appointee *
Don Woods, County Commissioner Appointee
Jackie McLean, County Commissioner Appointee
Shirlyn Morrison-Sims, 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 *
Frances McDonald, RBD Structured Day Coordinator
Jada Maxwell, Teen Court Coordinator
Brandy McPherson, Leadership Development Coordinator
Taylor Thompson, Parks & Recreation Dept.
Sgt. John Francois, Raeford Police Dept.

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

Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:03pm.

(There was a quorum with 14 members present.)

Isley Cotton began the meeting in prayer.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson, asked if the board members reviewed the minutes from the 6-15-22 meeting and if there was a motion to approve them as written.

Jackie McLean motioned to approve the 6-15-22 JCPC regular meeting minutes as written.

Darell McMillan seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

II. FY 2022-23 SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Rev. Al Anderson, Chairperson, brought attention to the Sub-Committee list within the FY 22-23 information folders that were distributed to each attending council member. He began by reading aloud the Hoke JCPC Bylaws Article V: Officer: Sub-Committees (page 6), which states clearly that council members may choose which committee to serve on, and he explained that the appointments he made may be changed before the year’s work begins. A discussion followed about the benefits of rotating every few years from one committee to another, with leaving one seasoned person on each committee and allowing another to chair. Rev. Anderson read aloud each member’s name and their appointed positions. He asked if there were any members wishing to change committees or add their name to an additional committee, and if so to let Lorraine Landry know. There was no response.

III. FY 2022-23 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Lorraine Landry, JCPC Coordinator asked each council member to complete, sign and submit a new COI form found in the distributed information folders. The convenience of the folders for council meetings and committee meetings was briefly stated.

IV. AREA CONSULTANT'S REPORT

Mrs. Kelly Cribb, NC DPS Area Consultant, announced the following:

Restorative Justice Training – details will be coming in Fall 2022

DPS JCPC Member Orientation – link was recently emailed to all from the 8-4-22 online training; she appreciated the participants from Hoke County

YASI – for training purposes, she encouraged the youth programs to complete the questionnaire

NC JSA Fall Conference – October 19-21, 2022 at Carolina Beach; however, hotel rooms are scarce; email was sent to council

DPS JCPC Policy – became effective 7-1-22; programs need to sign the included compliance sheet and keep on file with actual policy

Gun Safety Campaign – DPS received \$2.5 Million for this project; more details to come

Final Accounting FY 21-22 – deadline was 8-15-22; signatures should be completed by 9-1-22

JCPC Bylaws Committees – she emphasized that bylaws need to be reviewed annually; on 7-25-22 she met with JCPC Chair, Vice Chair and Coordinator with specific suggestions; she can assist if needed

V. JCPC MEMBER ORIENTATION

Mrs. Kelly Cribb continued by reviewing the material covered during the 8-4-22 online training that DPS offered in detail, including these topics:

- JCPC's Name, Purpose and Strategy
- Origin of Funds and NC's Allocation History
- Types of youth programs funded
- Juvenile Detention Centers
- JCPC Membership and Duties & Responsibilities; Various Committees

Each committee's function was covered in detail; an online application exists for potential new members; availability of new Racial & Ethnic Disparities Committee

- SPEP (Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol)
- JCPC's Annual Funding Plan & Certification process

Commissioner Leach commented about Hoke County's allocated funding amount compared to Scotland County's and how he feels it has not been consistent. A discussion followed about the youth population of both counties. Kelly Cribb assured Mr. Leach and the council that she will follow up on this specific concern by looking into the state policy regarding allocation amounts, including the formula used, since that is decided by a higher state level.

VI. QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Mrs. Kelly Cribb read aloud and addressed the previously submitted question:

Regarding JCPC's advertised Request for Proposals *"If the Risk and Needs Assessment Committee has presented their findings to the council, why would it be necessary to list ALL possible program components on the advertised RFP? This is what Hoke JCPC has been advised to do in recent years, rather than list the specific programs Hoke needs and it seems like we're misleading RFP applicants. (previously submitted by Lorraine Landry)*

Miss Kelly replied that it not necessary to advertise for every program type but it has been suggested as a safeguard to list all of the possible program types to avoid accidentally omitting one. A

discussion followed about the time and effort the Risk & Needs Assessment Committee puts into forming a new RFP as well as the application process on NC ALLIES that the applying program goes through. Miss Kelly continued by explaining that if the applicant pool is narrowed, then JCPC may miss out on a service that would benefit the community.

Mrs. Linda Revels, Vice Chair asked about the possibility of having the JCPC Public Relations Committee resume their plans from 2020 to organize a Legislative Event this year. She commended Don Woods on his leadership of that event before the pandemic.

Miss Kelly agreed that making the public aware of JCPC's purpose and functions are vital. She gave an example from Onslow County's JCPC advertisement on a billboard and another example of a digital ad highlighting JCPC youth programs shown on an old theater in another county.

Rev. Anderson asked Miss Kelly how JCPC directly or indirectly affects our community's Latino children? He stated that he does not see a representation. **Mr. Leach** suggested to include Latino volunteers on the JCPC board. **Miss Kelly** emphasized the importance of having a diverse membership. **Julie Hernandez** stated that DJJ has a high number of Hispanic juveniles and she shared how their intake court counselor, Miss Daisy Adan, is Hispanic and bilingual and is the first contact the families have with the local DJJ agency (in Hoke, Robeson and Scotland Counties). The vacant board position "Youth Under Age 21" was discussed. **Jackie McLean** offered to recruit a Latino high school student to fill that vacancy since she could transport them to council meetings.

Isley Cotton asked for more details about the grant that DPS received for gun safety and how the information will be distributed. **Miss Kelly** replied that Cumberland County is only county with a gun safety program in place, "Operation Cease Fire", but she will find out specifically how the \$2.5 million will be used by DPS. **Miss Isley** discussed "Project Child Safe", a gun safety program already in existence but not affiliated with Sheriff's Dept.

In closing, **Miss Kelly Cribb** thanked all the council members and emphasized how important the JCPC board is and that she is available to assist locally.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

JCPC Information Table at "N.C. Fall Festival" – street fair on October 15th, 2022; volunteers needed Back-To-School - **Jackie McLean** shared the schedule of the first week of school and asked for prayer for staff and students

Alcohol & Drug Services "Community Safe Celebration" – free annual event on 8-27-22 at Dobbins Heights Park in Richmond County; **Shirlyn Morrison-Sims** will try to bring this event to Hoke County in future

No meeting in September – 10-19-22 next meeting at public library

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Don Woods motioned to adjourn.

Julie Hernandez seconded the motion.

All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Lorraine Landry,
Hoke County JCPC Coordinator