

Wake County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
Minutes
May 21, 2020 (via WebEx)

JCPC Attendees: Eric Johnson, Darryl Blevins, Jonathan Glenn, Ann Godwin, Sharif Deveaux, Carla Huff, Tamra Sanchez, Katherine Edmisten, Lori Christian, Utica Cason, Donald Pinchback, Mala Ross, Christal Carmichael, Jonathan Glenn

JCPC Guests: Denise Briggs, Rachel Smith, Amy Spaulding, LaToya Montague, LaShawn Hewitt, Charlenzo Belcher, Jennifer Gibbs, Chuck Johnson, Max Shafir, Kristi Moyer, Sean Ingram, Patricia Cardoso

JCPC Staff: Deborah Andrews

Welcome/Announcements: Eric Johnson opened the meeting. He introduced the new Substance Abuse Professional JCPC member, Ruth Sutherland, and announced that Michael McDuffie is the new Wake County Sheriff's designee.

The next JCPC meeting is scheduled for June 18 via WebEx. The Executive Committee meets in July. They will discuss how meetings will be held going forward. Even if future meetings are in person, there could be a virtual option for those with health concerns.

Approval of Minutes

The February minutes were approved as written, following a motion and second.

Funding Recommendations/Voting

The Funding committee has been meeting over the last few weeks. They usually hold program interviews during the March meeting time and bring their recommendations to the full Council at the April JCPC meeting. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak the March and April meetings were cancelled. The committee held interviews via WebEx in April and met virtually on May 8th and 15th for deliberations. They looked at all of the RFP applicants, discussed the pros and cons of each program, decided whether to fund them and, if so, how much. It was a painstaking process, with back and forth conversations about which programs best serve the needs of our continuum of services. Wake JCPC had more money this year, \$1.8 million, but also has a bigger population of youth. The committee had asked each program what they would do if they didn't receive full funding, as program agreements would have to be changed to reflect changes made in programming. Programs should notify the Council as soon as possible if they will need to make drastic adjustments to their programs as a result of less funding.

Sharif Deveaux reviewed the pros and cons of each program and their recommendations for each program. A separate vote was held for each funding recommendation (see attached spreadsheet):

- Skills 4 Success – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Teen Court – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Youth Development Initiative – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Parenting Wisely – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Sean Ingram Academy of Nail Technology - 13 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention
- Intervening early with Foster Teens – 12 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions

- CORRAL – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstention
- 4H Spaces - 10 ayes, 0 nays, 4 abstentions
- SPACESTOO - 10 ayes, 0 nays, 4 abstentions
- Wrenn House – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Second Round - 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Restitution and Community Service – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Juvenile Diversion Team – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Youth Career Options – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- CORE – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstention
- Neighborhood Ecology Corps – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstention
- ART 4 Youth 2 – 13 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention
- SMART After-School/Summer Camp – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- YM4C Enterprises and Motivated Movers – 13 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- Family Transition Support Services – 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- JCPC Admin Funds - 14 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

The next step is Board of Commissioners' approval of the recommendations, which may take several weeks. Eric will notify programs of the Council's decisions.

Elections

Elections for JCPC Chair and Vice Chair will be held at the June 18th meeting. Members should submit their nominations to Deborah Andrews, after checking with the proposed nominees to make sure that they are willing to serve.

Membership

The Council has lost several members over the past few months. The Parks and Recreation, under 18, and member of the business community, along with 2-3 at large positions, are currently vacant. They also need a Co-Chair for the Annual Plan committee, a Chair for the Program Support and Accountability committee, and members for all of the committees.

Committee Updates

- Annual Plan – Jonathan Glenn announced that the plan is well underway and he hopes to have the draft for the June meeting.

Announcements

- Amber Adams will be leaving 4H after two years. They have been involved in virtual group activities, which have been going well.
- Teen Court filled a vacancy for the manager position - the new manager is former staff member Amy Hall. The staff has done a great job with virtual hearings, every week since the shut-down. They have developed alternative sanctions. Their referrals are steady even with the schools out. They will start in person hearings on a limited basis in June. They are working with the County to do this.
- Sean Ingram reported that they have formalized their MOU with Raleigh PD.
- Haven House are continuing to provide all of their services remotely using You tube and other resources. Wrenn House is open 24/7, providing a lot of services.
- CORRAL are doing virtual services with their Riding Academy tutoring. Join the Herd is on pause because it's group therapy. They are talking about how to safely resume services.

- Jonathan Glenn announced that his agency is applying for pilot funds to do research around virtual interventions. They will be reaching out to many of the JCPC programs to discuss their experiences if they receive the funding.

DPS Updates

Denise Briggs will send out the 20-21 applications in ALLIES that were approved. If programs receive a reduction they may need to revise their service narratives. She is asking programs to let her know if they can't operate on their approved funding amount.

Denise will continue to send out any staff training and homebound projects that youth can do. Our providers have done a good job of reaching out to kids and families and keeping them engaged. Denise has pulled some providers in to talk to programs in other counties.

End of year revisions should be submitted in ALLIES no later than June 15.

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Meeting adjourned.