

Meeting Minutes
South Dakota Council of Juvenile Services
October 7-8, 2009
Spearfish Canyon Lodge, Lead, SD

Council of Juvenile Services Members Present: Carol Twedt, Mike Leidholt, Doug Herrmann, Grant Walker, Karen Jeffries, Nancy Allard, Ella Rae Stone, Janine Kern, Beth O'Toole, Victor Erlacher, Jason Goette, Aaron McGowan, and Liz Heidelberger.

Council of Juvenile Services Members Absent: J.C. Chambers, Kaylee DeNeui, Susan Randall, Gib Sudbeck, Jo Vitek, Tanner Starr, and Virgena Wieseler.

Others Present: Kevin McLain, Jodi Kirschenman, and Joy Erlenbusch from DOC.

1. WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Carol Twedt welcomed everyone to the meeting. Jodi Kirschenman introduced South Dakota's State Representative, Scott Pestridge, from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Mr. Pestridge is concluding his biannual programmatic site visit with the Department of Corrections, which serves as the designated state agency administering several federal grants. Mr. Pestridge explained the components of the site visit, and gave an overview of the subgrant sites that he visited and reviewed. Those sites included Title V funded Wagner/Charles Mix County, Title II funded Lutheran Social Services in Sioux Falls, and the Western South Dakota Juvenile Detention Center which is a JABG funded subgrantee through Pennington County.

2. JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES INITIATIVE TRAINING (JDAI)

Kevin McLain provided a historic overview of South Dakota's compliance with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, explained the improvement in our compliance numbers since becoming a participating state, and the potential benefits of partaking in an initiative such as the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI). McLain then introduced Stephanie Vetter. Ms. Vetter is the JDAI's Senior Consultant for Infrastructure Development, a senior member of the Annie E. Casey Foundation's (AECF) initiative management team, JDAI team leader for multiple sites in Oregon and she supervises the JDAI team leader responsible for the states of Washington and Montana.

Ms. Vetter provided the Council of Juvenile Services with training on JDAI, starting with an overview of the AECF and then detailing state level detention reform. After explaining the JDAI mission, objectives, core strategies, and results, Ms. Vetter outlined the tasks involved in becoming a JDAI site and engaged discussion on stakeholder's involvement.

The Council discussed potential pilot sites in Sioux Falls and Rapid City and agreed to develop subcommittees comprised of CJS members who live in the pilot site areas. These subcommittees would convene and bring information back to the full Council of Juvenile Services. Members of the subcommittee include Carol Twedt, Janine Kern, Aaron McGowan, Beth O'Toole, Susan Randall, Doug Herrmann, Nancy Allard, Ella Rae Stone, and Mike Leidholt.

Ms. Vetter concluded the JDAI training with closing remarks.

3. WELCOME and REVIEW of AGENDA

Chair Carol Twedt called the meeting to order at 9:25 AM, CDT on October 8, 2009. The Council modified the agenda to include "Indian Education Conference" under the agenda item *New Business*. ***Janine Kern moved to approve the agenda, Grant Walker seconded. Motion carried.***

4. APPROVAL of JUNE 2009 MEETING MINUTES

Beth O'Toole moved to approve the June 2009 meeting minutes, seconded by Doug Herrmann. Motion carried.

5. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

The Council accepted nominations for the positions of Chair and Vice-chair. ***Victor Erlacher moved to re-elect Carol Twedt as CJS Chair and Mike Leidholt as Vice Chair, Janine Kern seconded the motion. Motion carried.***

6. FY09 CJS ANNUAL REPORT

Jodi Kirschenman reviewed the draft FY09 CJS Annual Report and requested any final changes be submitted to her no later than October 23rd in order to have time for printing and distribution. Janine Kern requested a CJS representative report directly to the legislature regarding the contents of the annual report. Kevin McLain recommended the Council proceed through the Governor's Office to brief the Senate Judiciary and House Judiciary committees and to request the

approval of the respective committee's chairperson to be on the agenda. Discussion ensued. Twedt indicated her willingness to introduce the information to the committees with the assistance of Kern and staff. ***Beth O'Toole moved to seek approval through the executive branch and to get approval from the CJS Executive Committee to define the process and the agenda; Karen Jeffries seconded. Motion carried.***

7. BUDGET STATUS REPORT

Kevin McLain gave an overview of the FFY07 and FFY08 Formula Grant budgets. These two awards will be expended by October 1, 2010 at which time we will then begin drawing down on the FY09 award. McLain explained the balances and potential reallocations and indicated we are doing well financially.

McLain also reviewed the expenditures of the juvenile reimbursement program. He is not recommending any changes to the reimbursement program at this time, but advised that we will need to give counties notice that effective January 2011, we may need to modify the budgets due to forthcoming changes in the reimbursement program.

In regards to the JDAI, we currently have a minimum of \$40,000 through September 2010 for consultants, training, orientation and data development. Janine Kern asked if Davison County is making any changes to their processes since they've accessed \$48,000 to date. Carol Twedt indicated that Davison is at the table with the counties in order to find better options for serving kids. Discussion ensued.

8. TRIBAL ADVISORY GROUP UPDATE

Ella Rae Stone provided the TAG update from the most recent meeting at Pine Ridge. Judge Wilson from the Oglala Sioux Tribe presented on the Suicide Prevention Sweetgrass Project, and the OST Charter Child Welfare Organization presented on the Social Services program on the Oglala Sioux Tribe reservation. Rosebud and Flandreau Tribes were not represented due to other meetings. The TAG strategic plan from 2008-2010 was discussed and the group agreed they would like to work on education barriers in the school system. The next meeting is scheduled for January 2010 in which the TAG plans to map reservation resources. Discussion ensued.

The South Dakota Voices for Children's (SDVC) contract to staff and conduct TAG meetings operates on a calendar year basis and will be expiring in December. The TAG plans to meet in January 2010, so the Council is asked to make a motion regarding renewing the SDVC contract. ***Janine Kern moved to approve SDVC to staff three TAG meetings in 2010 at no more than \$2,000 per meeting; Grant Walker seconded. Motion carried.***

9. FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JUVENILE JUSTICE (FACJJ) UPDATE

Doug Herrmann provided an update on the work of the FACJJ. The FACJJ met in March in Washington DC to finalize their annual report. The committee is including addendums to the report regarding legal representation for juveniles and also securing Native American representation on the FACJJ. Discussion also occurred over using scared straight programs. Colorado in particular and other Bureau of Prison sites were using scared straight programs with youth, but this practice was addressed and will be discontinued. Herrmann will be attending the next meeting in Austin.

10. OLD BUSINESS

No items for discussion.

11. NEW BUSINESS

◆ INDIAN EDUCATION AND DROPOUT PREVENTION SUMMIT

Janine Kern attended the Indian Education and Dropout Prevention Summit in Rapid City, which was sponsored by South Dakota's State Department of Indian Education. Kern shared highlights of the summit and views this as an opportunity to collaborate with the Indian Education Office. Kern urges the Council to keep this summit on the forefront and to try to have CJS representation at the next summit.

12. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The Council's next meeting will be January 4, 2010 in Pierre with the JDAI subcommittee meeting the evening of January 3, 2010.

13. ADJOURN

Mike Leidholt moved to adjourn; seconded by Doug Herrmann. Motion carried.

Recorded by Jodi Kirschenman, Juvenile Justice Specialist