

## TEAM JUSTICE MINUTES

March 6, 2009

**Members Present:** Kathy Dittmer, Jean Hogan, Karen Langston, Shawna Mobley, Terri Moses, Tom Pletcher, Richard Powell, Stephanie Springer, Marvin Stone Jr., Riley Williams and Chris Champagne for Denise Wren

**Members Absent:** Brian Black, Judge James Burgess, Pat Hanrahan, Kathleen Kaiser and Ron Paschal

**Guests:** Linda Auld, Jerod Bond, Carolyn Bunch, Terry Calloway, Dr. Charles Coleman, Liz Combs, Liane Felton, Mary Galvin, Bob Lamkey, Teresa Lovelady, Emile McGill, Kirsten Lyman Roberson, Steven Stonehouse, John Waller and Pam Williams

**Staff:** Mark Masterson, Dr. Delores Craig-Moreland, Chris Morales, Jeannette Livingston, Kelli Jones, Sean Johnston and Jodi Tronsgard

- I. **Introductions** – The Board welcomed Jerod Bond with the Juvenile Justice Authority. Mr. Bond shared information about his background and duties with JJA. Mr. Bond stated that the first annual Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board (JCAB) Summit is scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> in Salina. The purpose is to bring together Administrative Contacts and JCAB Chairpersons for a planning summit to establish a better vision for the system and identify things to work on at the state level in conjunction with support from judicial districts.
- II. **Approval of Team Justice Minutes from the 2/6/09 Meeting – ACTION ITEM: Riley Williams moved, Shawna Mobley seconded, the remaining members agreed and the motion carried to approve the 2/6/09 Team Justice Minutes, as submitted.**
- III. **Update on 2009 Governor’s Conference on Juvenile Justice** – Mark Masterson provided an update on the Governor’s Conference in Wichita on June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Spirit is sponsoring a reception at the Cowtown Visitor’s Center. There will be a distinguished group of keynote speakers, several different workshop tracks and extended sessions on select topics. There will be learning opportunities around national, state and local issues. A conference brochure will be available soon, as well as information on scholarships.
- IV. **Legislative Budget Update** – Mark Masterson reported that there will be no new news until the omnibus session concludes. Mark suggested entities diversify funding where possible and consider funding opportunities with the Byrne Grant. Mark will continue to consult with County management.
- V. **Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Update** –
  - a. Burns Institute’s Technical Assistance Meeting with Team Justice – Mark Masterson stated that two questions for the group to consider are: What does success in DMC look like? How should the data be used to move forward? The presentation slides from the meeting will be sent to Board members so that those who were unable to attend have the opportunity to review them. Discussion is planned for the next board meeting, if there is a short agenda.
  - b. Results of Burns Institute’s Technical Assistance Meeting with the African American Coalition – Emile McGill reported that the meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> was informative and well attended by committee members. Michael Finley and Tshaka Barrows presented an evaluation of their previous visit. They also offered technical assistance on community engagement, how to request and share relevant data and how to move forward. Another session with the Burns Institute is planned. The Coalition will plan strategies and organize their first community meeting. Emile spoke about the importance of a community support network for youth. Rep. Melody McCray-Miller and Emile will make a formal report to Mark Masterson soon. Mark stated that Rep. Miller mentioned that the Burns Institute stressed focusing on strengthening the working relationship with the Team Justice Board.

- c. Statewide Expansion – Mark Masterson reported that Seward County, Shawnee County and Lyon County indicated interest in expansion. Mark will consult with key policymakers in those districts in the next few weeks on where to start and how to address barriers to data collection.

**VI. Other Business –**

- Jean Hogan reported that a core team has been established for the cross-system DMC taskforce (involving the child welfare system and the juvenile justice system). There are 5 teams organized across the state that will develop recommendations by November 2009. Mark Masterson plans to attend a team meeting on March 27<sup>th</sup> to begin work in this area.
- Mark Masterson reported that Dr. Craig-Moreland, Tom Kimbrell and he met with the Derby Police Department this month to discuss opportunities that might exist to work with them regarding arrests and intakes. Derby has an effective process and services provided at schools to avoid arrest. There is an opportunity for outreach to share information about our assessment program for mentally ill offenders and about our prevention, intervention and criminal justice services and alternatives that are available to them. Derby has a juvenile coalition that may be of interest to our community.
- Mark Masterson reported that Youth for Christ has developed a program called City Works, modeled after the Homeboy Industries program in Los Angeles, to serve those in the Northeast community. City Works is planning to host an open house in the next month or so; information will be sent to Board members when it is available.
- Terri Moses invited questions and comments from guests. Teresa Lovelady thanked the Board for the letter of support for Mental Health Association's grant application that was recently submitted.