

**JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL August 28th 2019 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Kelvin Allen, Tara Blackley, Drew Cummings, Dawain Green, Brenda Howerton, Tasha Jones-Butts, Frederick Kearnes, Allan Lang, Chenelle McInnis, Kevin McIver, Jennifer Meade, Angela Nunn, Solina Richards, Leah Selvy, Shannon Teamer

**Members Absent:** Nisha Williams, Andre Hinton, Pat Evans

**Program Providers:** Quillie Coath, Yasmin Boone, Nicole Moore

**Guest:** Crystal Wynn-Lewis

**Staff:** Gudrun Parmer, Jim Stuit, Kelley Waggy

**Welcome & Introductions** JCPC Vice Chairperson Angela Nunn notified the board that Chairperson Nisha Williams was unable to attend and then called the meeting to order. Vice Chairperson Angela Nunn welcomed attendees and asked all to introduce themselves.

**Membership Vacancies**

JCPC Vice Chairperson Angela Nunn notified the board of membership vacancies and asked that active members encourage qualified candidates to apply.

**Agenda Updates**

Due to time constraints, Vice Chairperson Angela Nunn made the following adjustments to the Agenda: Item 4 was postponed to the September meeting, Item 3 was postponed to the September meeting and Item 5 was moved to Item 3’s time slot.

**DPS Racial and Ethnic Disparity**

Ms. Crystal Wynn-Lewis presented the most recent data on Racial and Ethnic Disparity in Durham County. Ms. Wynn-Lewis explained that they are no longer using the term Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC). The new term will be, DPS Racial and Ethnic Disparity (RED). RED uses the more widely accepted and accurate terminology. It has added ethnicity alongside reference to race in the act, as clarifying ethnicity must be considered in reducing disparities.

Ms. Wynn-Lewis reported that categories will change in the coming year to the following: White, Black, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Alaskan, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander. Hopefully a Bi-racial category will be added in the coming years.

RED is still collecting data and data must be posted and updated on each website annually.

**State Budget for JCPC**

Walter (Eddie) Crews, DJJ Area Consultant, shared the anticipated appropriations in the budget with the JCPC Board. Anticipated appropriations: 4.2 Million in year one, 6.6 Million in year two. 6.6 Million recurring through 2021. Durham County will receive an additional $100,663.00 for this fiscal year, bringing us up to $637,329.00 from $536,666.00. Durham County will receive an additional $164,434.00 for fiscal year 2020-2021, bringing us up to $701,101.00.

Mr. Crews stated that there will be no match required for this year’s additional funds and that required matches will lower to 10-15% in the coming years.

**Chair Report**

Chief Court Counselor, Tasha Jones-Butts, reported that two of their positions have been filled and that their hiring process is ongoing. They anticipate that intakes will take the hardest hit with the upcoming Raise the Age legislation. Mrs. Jones-Butts also took a moment to share how proud they are of the decrease in school-based referrals. The Justice partnership has mandated that School Resource Officers (SRO’s) have 40 hours of specialized training. A recent SRO training was held the week of August 19, 2019. The Justice Partnership, a statute stating that the Chief Court Judge in each district will be in a partnership with their school district, participated in a large kick-off event in Greensboro recently.

Chief Court Counselor, Tasha Jones-Butts also shared the state is currently working to obtain quick beds to place juveniles until new facilities are ready.

**Announcements**

Angela Nunn reminded all in attendance that the September and October meetings would be held at HHS.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm.