

MULTNOMAH COUNTY OREGON DETENTION REFORM INITIATIVE

Juvenile Justice Council (JCC)

June 18, 2007 (Monday)
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

Juvenile Justice Complex - large conference room
1401 NE 68th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97213

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Attendees:

Tracey Cordes	Shelley Flynn	Carol Herzog	Dave Koch	Keith Meisenheimer	Charlene Rhyne	Katherine Tennyson
Tom Cleary	Joanne Fuller	Linda Hughes	Paula Kurshner	Leo Muniz	Helen Smith	Nan Waller
William H. Feyerherm	Rob Halverson	Rick Jensen	Steve Liday	Adrian Navarro	James Stegmiller	Sara Westbrook
Lisa Fithian-Barrett	Debbie Hansen	Dave Knofler	Michael Loy	Christine Pedersen	Susan Svetkey	Merri Souther Wyatt

AGENDA TOPIC:	NOTES:	PLAN OF ACTION
Review and revise past minutes (if applicable) / approve today's agenda	The meeting minutes were approved and everyone was reminded that minutes will now be taken for this meeting by Tina Edge (DCJ) phone number (503) 988-3083, email tina.a.edge@co.multnomah.or.us . The	
Judge Waller	group was asked to send her updates, additions, deletions to the member roster.	
	Each member of the group introduced themselves.	
Child Welfare Recognition	Lori Hinkel presented Suzanne Wehrley with a certificate recognizing her 10 years of service with DHS, Child Welfare. Suzanne was the	
Lori Hinkle	first Child Welfare staff person outstationed at the Juvenile Court (about seven years ago) and has been both a "trailblazer" and a "bridge" between Child Welfare and the Juvenile Court for preadjudicated delinquent youth. Suzanne attends the delinquency hearings on behalf of child welfare, fields questions from JCCs about Child Welfare and assists Child Welfare workers in understanding the Multnomah County Juvenile Justice system. Suzanne has worked hard to bring systems together in order to improve the lives of the children involved in the Juvenile Justice system and she is celebrated for her fine work.	

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Benjamin Chambers	Benjamin gave some background history on FDDP which stands for "Felony Drug Diversion Program". It was originally designed to give juveniles the same option as adults, is funded by Reclaiming Futures, and has stricter standards than other programs like it. It officially launched in 2003 with 2 court counselors, a Family Advocate position, and case reviews being done weekly. Benjamin shared the last 4 years of data with year 2007 showing a 45% success rate, which is respectable, but down from past years. Success is defined as completion of the program plus 90 days with clean UAs – the state only requires 30 days' clean, so it's a tougher standard. Some of the reasons for lower success rates this year might be mental health issues of youth and the fact that youth move around and are not in one place long enough to get sober. Tom Cleary feels that relapse is possibly tolerated at too high a level and reported consistent issues with treatment providers that contributed to lack of success. There is an ongoing search for incentives for youth to complete the program – the cost-benefit is off. There has also been a drop of eligible PCS cases with most charges on youth of color being DCS charges. They are unsure why the enrollment numbers have been dropping – it may be that police charging practices have changed.	The low enrollment numbers and budget impact of losing the Family Advocate and Reclaiming Futures management position dramatically impacts the quality of the model. They will continue to do monthly case reviews with JCC's and supervisors.
RAI Policy Update	Rob shared the latest list of staff involved in the RAI Override Policy workgroup and gave the date/times of the meetings in the JSD large conference room:	Here is the latest list of people who volunteered to participate in the RAI Override Policy work group:
Rob Halverson	 June 21st 12noon - 1pm July 10th 12noon - 1pm Rob stated they were on track for the new RAI being available in JJIS in October and are still working on the details of the pilot. Rob requested that this policy workgroup be allowed to make quick decisions on last minute issues - the committee agreed. There will be separate group working on the "nuts and bolts" of the RAI implementation. Both groups will work together when needed. 	 Tom Cleary, District Attorney's Office Kate Desmond, Multnomah County DCJ Shelley Flynn, Volunteers of America Community Detention Rob Halverson, Multnomah County DCJ Debbie Hansen, OYA Linda Hughes, Referee Julie McFarlane, Juvenile Rights Project Adrian Navarro, Multnomah County DCJ Louise Palmer, McKeown & Brindle Merri Souther-Wyatt, Judge Heather Updike, Multnomah County DCJ Rakeem Washington, Juvenile Rights Project Sarah Westbrook, Portland Police

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Failure to Supervise/MIP Truancy Dockets Judge Wyatt and Judge Waller	Failure To Supervise Hearings for Parents of Curfew Violators Docket begins July 11 th , 10:30-12 which will have budget and policy implications. JSD has committed to have a JCC available for this monthly event. Last time JSD Data Services checked parent citations to see if any of the youth were on supervision with them. They will do that again so JCCs know what's happening with these families. Judge Waller talked about using this statute and gave some background information - she also stated there were concerns about uneven enforcement of the statute. Currently, there is no evaluation piece set up for the Failure to Supervise data. The MIP docket may also be coming back - 1st violation, a letter with Tips for Teens will go out to families; 2nd violation will require a court appearance (second-timers go to community court, not juvenile court). There was also a question on how police will determine if it is a first or second violation. There was concern about increasing JCC workload and time needed to incorporate this process due to the high volume of citations coming in. Troutdale is very interested in working with this committee on this process for their under 18 population.	There was a suggestion of utilizing on-line training programs as an educational piece for youth. If anyone is interested in getting more information about this topic, please email Judge Waller for a very informative article about this topic.
Minority Over-Representation Briefings Update Dave Koch	Dave briefed the committee that every year DCJ Research and Evaluation puts out an over-rep report reflecting data from throughout the system based on race, ethnicity, and gender. Since 2003, the gap between white and Minority youth has been widening and is currently at 14% for year 2007. This generated questions from the group on what current factors might be driving this high percentage. Chair Wheeler's office reviewed this report and requested that the Board of County Commissioners be briefed on the report - DA and Judge Waller are invited to attend. JSD needs to continue evaluating Detention Intake/Admission practices to insure the RAI and RAI override criteria are being used appropriately so the right youth are being admitted to detention. Also, the Council should have broader discussions with police, prosecutors and the judiciary to make sure the right youth are being admitted to Detention and are being diverted to detention alternatives. DCJ's Research and Evaluation unit will conduct qualitative evaluations of community-based programs and probation practices to determine how effective these services are in addressing the risk and need factors presenting with youth of color under our supervision.	The briefing to county commissioners will educate them on data showing rates and percentages of programs past and present. This data will be used to request gang transitional services funds from the state. Everyone needs to begin looking at how they will systemically address this issue - possibly ask for guidance from the Casey Foundation. Police and Gresham should be part of discussions working toward a solution. They should also be part of the briefing teams to communities. The Juvenile Justice Council endorsed the proposal form Research and Evaluation to complete the qualitative analysis.

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Role of Probation Programming & Judicial Use of Programming	No time to present	Item will be moved to July agenda
Judge Waller		
MOU Subcommittee Update	Staff were not available for this meeting	Item will be moved to July agenda
Wayne Scott / Lorena Campbell		
Miscelleaneous	The 9th year of the annual "Garden Party" is taking place July 14th and all are invited. This is a progressive dinner party.	For more information, contact Terri Mayo at 503-988-5418. The invitation is attached below.
	One youth - One Judge Case Assignment: The court recognizes that there are many logistical problems. Julie McFarland has been asked to form a committee to discuss this issue. JCCs will be invited to join this committee. Some judges might request subsequent hearings be set in front of them. Stay tuned for more information on this topic.	Contact Julie McFarlane if interested - her contact info is: Julie H. McFarlane Supervising Attorney Juvenile Rights Project, Inc. 401 NE 19th Avenue, Suite 200 Portland, OR 97232 (503) 232-2540 ext. 227
	Teleconferencing was discussed to help cut down on the need to drive to meeting locations. Detention currently has old video equipment that may have ability to be updated for use. Debbie Hansen suggested staff use OYA on-site teleconferencing equipment.	Contact county IT personnel to talk about the possibilities.
	Meeting member updates	Add Carolyn Graf to the committee members list and temporarily replace Susan Coleman with Tracey Cordes. It was suggested to invite more community partners to this meeting.

Facilitator: Judge Waller Note taker: Tina Edge

Next meeting ...
July 16, 2007 (Monday)
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^{**} Meetings will take place 3rd Monday of every month 12:00noon - 1:30pm**



ATTENTION JUVENILE COURT PRACTITIONERS, JUDICIAL OFFICERS AND FRIENDS OF THE JUVENILE COURT

IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN... THE NINTH ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE GARDEN PARTY

JULY 14, 2007 (SATURDAY) (Rain or Shine)



4:30 p.m. Starters Katherine Tennyson's Garden 4559 NE 39th Ave.



6:00 p.m. Dinner Terri Mayo's Garden 4305 NE Hassalo St.



8:00 p.m. Dessert Amy Holmes Hehn's Garden 2225 NE 37th Ave.



9:30 p.m. (ending at 11:30pm)...wind down time by the fire...

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