

Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

Minutes

Date and Time: March 9, 2017 from 9:00AM – 1:00PM

Location: Kansas Judicial Center
301 SW 10th St.
Topeka, KS 66612

Committee Members in Attendance:

Kathy Armstrong, Randy Bowman, Rep. Kevin Emerson, Judge Paula Hofaker, Donald Hymer, Sen. Carolyn McGinn, Joe Norwood, Melody Pappan, Sen. Pat Pettey, Derrick Ploutz, Amy Raymond, Sen. Greg Smith, Janet Waugh, Karyl-Ann Roehl

Committee Members Absent:

Lara Blake Bors, Sen. Gail Finney, Rep. Randy Powell, Brandon Smith, Terri Williams, Judge Delia York

Criminal Justice Institute (CJI) Consultants Present:

Jennifer Christie

1) Welcome and Review of Agenda

Sen. Greg Smith opened the meeting at 9:08 AM.

2) Introduce New Member

Sen. Carolyn McGinn was welcomed as a new member.

3) Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Sen. Smith requested Sen. Pat Pettey's name be added as attending the meeting. Derrick moved, and Randy seconded, the minutes be approved as corrected. Motion Passed.

4) Update on the Data Subcommittee from the January Meeting

Jennifer reported the committee members have been selected. They are Craig Neuenswander from the Department of Education, Sgt. Todd Stallbaumer from Law Enforcement, Amy Raymond and one staff person from OJA, Kathy Armstrong and Tony Scott from DCF, and Pamela Lachman and Jennifer Christie from CJI. Their first meeting is tentatively scheduled for the week of April 3, 2017.

5) Break cancelled.

6) Update on Detention Risk Assessment Instrument

Amy said OJA was ready to proceed and Ms. Dixon asked Secretary Norwood to delay the implementation to allow them more time in evaluating the tool. They also want to go back to the consensus group with questions. Amy said collaboration between OJA and KDOC is going well. They had a very good meeting on Tuesday of this week. Judge Hofaker asked where the tool has been used in the past. Amy replied the tool was piloted in some Kansas judicial districts. Now they are moving to implement it statewide. OJA and KDOC hoped to

have a timeline for release prepared after the meeting on March 20th. Sen. Pettey said she wants to know the DRAI implementation date at the next meeting.

7) By-laws for the Oversight Committee

Sen. Smith reminded the committee it is not the charge of the Oversight Committee to change or revise SB367. The Oversight Committee is to implement SB367 as passed by the legislature last year. Broadly, the Committee is charged with 1) monitoring and reviewing data collected and evidence-based practices, 2) recommend how reinvestment funds should be put back into the system. Don feels like the SB language is “open-ended,” leaving the purpose of the Committee unclear. Sen. Smith has reached out to other states to see what kind of by-laws they have put in place. He will bring those results to the next meeting.

8) Break cancelled.

9) Discussion of Possible Amendments (HB 2264)

Amy summarized information about the pending amendments. There about twenty-two (22) amendments for final action today at 1:30PM. Some concern warrants for absconders, when fingerprints and photos can be taken of alleged juvenile offenders, CSO immunity from good time calculations, adding the youths’ legal guardians as someone party to an IIP, and when an Overall Case Length Limit begins on a case.

Kathy mentioned language pertaining to IV-eligibility and adoption-safe language. She and her staff have been collaborating with Rep. Jennings and KDOC on these provisions.

Randy mentioned the bill may amend the “new and separate date base” language to expand the user universe to people without access now, such as attorneys and judges.

Don mentioned the “gun amendment” and that the Revisor is dropping old bill language that is no longer applicable to the juvenile code.

10) Agenda for the Next Meeting

Next time we will discuss the need for Committee by-laws, the finalized HB2264, the Data Subcommittee, and the definition of recidivism.

Everyone agreed is HB2264 passes, the group should meet in April. If it does not pass, we can meet after the Session is over.

Karyl-Ann will send out meeting date surveys for the last week of April, and another one for the fourth week in June.

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 AM.

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