

Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

Friday July 18th, 2025, 9:00am

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1. Call to order – at 9:02 am.
2. Roll-call – Members Present: Christopher Esquibel, Don Hymer, Hon. Delia York, Hon. Richard Flax, Lara Blake Bors, Mary Snipes, Megan Milner, Melody Pappan, Rachel Bell, Randy Regehr, Rebecca Gerhardt, Rep. Jarrod Ousley, Rodney Smith, Senator Faust Goudeau, Steven Stonehouse. Members Excused, Stephanie Springer, Jeff Butrick, Secretary Jeff Zmuda.
3. Public Comment – Chair Hymer made a call for public comments. There were no public comments made.
4. KOMA - Kansas Open Meetings Act statement by the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee
5. Approval of meeting minutes-
 - a. Moved by Lara Blake Bors to Approve April 18th, 2025, minutes, 2nd by Rebecca Gearhardt, approved unanimously.
6. Chair/Vice Chair Report-out
 - a. Chair Hymer informed the committee that the chairs of the committee and sub-committee discussed suspending the bylaws or amending the bylaws, to allow Chair Hymer to remain as chair until January of 2026, to move the natural cycle of elections to avoid an overly burdensome meeting in October. Therefore, an amendment proposal was sent out to members. However, after further discussion it was determined an amendment would not be pursued. Chair Hymer will reach term limits in December, and Vice-Chair Stephanie Springer will act as chair until chair elections in January. No motions made.
7. Legislative update- No updates, but conversation that two bills debated and blessed will likely be pursued again this coming year.
8. Governor's office update- Provided an update on the office of early childhood, a bill recently signed consolidates the government's' of 20 early childhood programs into one office of early childhood, will assist in having one agency responsible for these programs will make it easier to get information and resolve constituent concerns. Though not fully operational, there is still progress being made. Fully operational may be in the next year.
9. Crossover youth report-out- Sandra Booker recently transitioned to the coordinator position for Kansas Dept of Corrections. Booker gave a brief overview of CYPM and its

implementation phases. Advised of recent updates, announcing Atchison, Franklin, and Saline County as new pilot counties for implementation. A full update will be provided in the supplementals.

10. KAG Update (TBD) – No update currently.

11. Sub-Committee

a. Reinvestment – Melody Pappan, Chair

- i. Had emergency meetings to discuss the lapse of \$10 million dollars from the Evidenced Based Practice Account, and what recommendations will need to be made in the future.
- ii. Program updates were given for Stepping Up, Gualt Center, and Family Engagement. Further updates are provided in the supplementals.

b. Legislative – Lara Blake Bors – Chair

- i. Organized a workgroup to discuss HB 2329, met for introductions and overview. Scheduled to meet again July 30th to discuss elements of the bill.
- ii. The Subcommittee is discussing a few different proposals that are expected to be brought up again in the upcoming legislative session. Sen. Faust-Goudeau and Rep. Ousley discussed their involvement with their committees and gave input about the legislative process.

c. Communications

- i. Communications have met to start working on the annual report, getting the surveys out and outlines.
- ii. Communications subcommittee continues to complete a quarterly newsletter that summarizes the meeting and goes out shortly after these meetings. If you want to receive this newsletter, you can reach out to Matt to get on that distribution list.

d. Data

- i. Introduced CJI as the contract provider that is working with the Data subcommittee to help integrate recommendations with the KDAI and data assistance regarding recidivism.
- ii. Amy Raymond went over OJA data and discussed highlights; Matt Billinger went over KDOC data with highlights.
- iii. Data is included in the supplemental material.

12. Community program presentation

a. *Youth and Family Services Center*

- i. *Molly Graves, LPC Program Manager for the Youth Crisis Stabilization Center gave a presentation on their facility. A copy of the presentation will be in the supplementals.*

b. *Facility Tour*

Next meeting date:

Adjourn