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Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice Meeting March 27, 2009

The Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice Committee met Friday, March 27, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room A at the Nebraska State Office Building, Lincoln, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was published March 16, 2009 in the Lincoln Journal Star.

Call to Order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Linda Benjamin, Chairperson.

Members Present: Linda Benjamin, Derek Vaughn, Jennie Cole-Mossman, Corey Steel (designee for Ellen Brokofsky), Lawrence Gendler, Elaine Menzel, Gerard Piccolo, Kevin Stukenholtz, Kent Turnbull, Kay Glidden (arrived 10:06 a.m.), Ron Johns, Thomas McBride, Peg Barner (designee for Terri Nutzman). **Members Absent:** Todd Reckling, Kathy Moore, Danielle Reinke, Ashley Frahm, Jamie Seger. **Members Excused:** Reggie Ryder, Cassandra Blakely, Michael Behm, Mark Benne, James Blue, Alex Moreno, Tim O'Dea. **Staff Present:** Jennifer Kirkpatrick, Tiffany Mullison, Jamie Rivera and Alyson Stephens.

Introductions

The new Juvenile Justice Administrator, Tiffany Mullison, was introduced to the Coalition as well as all members introducing themselves to those in attendance.

Approval of December 5, 2008 Minutes

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Vaughn to approve the December 5, 2008 minutes. (Motion carried unanimously.)

Approval of working lunch

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Vaughn to approve funds for lunch. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

Crime Commission Report

Rivera reported on Membership stating the Governor reappointed those individuals who were up for reappointment in January 2009; Benjamin, McBride, Piccolo, Ryder. New Appointees who were approved; Mike Long (Madison County Attorney), Chris Rogers (Douglas County Board), Vanessa Sherman (Otto County Juvenile Diversion). Two additional member openings that we are awaiting appointment. New members will be invited to the June NCJJ meeting.

Sub-Committee Reports

Benjamin reported the Executive committee had a conference call on March 3, 2009. Johns, Piccolo, Benjamin, Mullison, Rivera, Kirkpatrick, Stephens were in attendance and set the agenda for the March 27, 2009 NCJJ meeting as well as discussing potential upcoming presentations for NCJJ meetings. Jeff Cole expressed interest in presenting to the coalition about the Nebraska Community Learning Center. The Executive committee briefly discussed the outcomes of the Strategic Planning Session and approve the plan to be finalized for federal application reasons.

Johns reported that the DMC committee has been actively working on planning the NJJA Conference to be held May 6-8, 2009 in Grand Island.

Piccolo reported that the Grant Review committee had meet three days in February to review Title II and Juvenile Services and three days in March reviewing County Aid and County Aid Enhancement grants. Piccolo extended appreciation to all who participated in the grant review process.

There were no Youth Committee members in attendance; Rivera reported they are actively seeking individuals to fill the youth memberships vacancies.

Approval of funding to support NJJA Conference

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Johns to approve \$6,000.00 to support speaker fees for the NJJA Conference out of the remaining 2006 Advisory Funds and 2007 Advisory Funds. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden,

Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

Approval of funding DMC sub-committee members to attend NJJA Conference

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Vaughn to approve funding up to \$4,000.00 as recommended by the DMC Chair to support funding active members of DMC sub-committees to attend NJJA conference with Juvenile Services Coalition Funds. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

Approval of funding for Probation NPMIS with 2007 JABG interest funds

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by McBride to approve funding \$20,000.00 to be applied towards the Nebraska Office of Probation Administration NPMIS Juvenile System of Care Implementation. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.) Request was made by the Coalition and approved by Probation to receive quarterly updates regarding the NPMIS.

Approval of funding for Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, 2009 Certificate Program at Georgetown University's Public Policy Institute in Washington, DC

Motion

A motion was made by Vaughn and seconded by Menzel to approve funding, \$3,876.00, as recommended by Nebraska Office of Probation towards probation's Corey Steel to attend the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, 2009 Certificate Program at Georgetown University's Public Policy Institute which will include a Capstone Project that will be worked on in a seamless systems approach to benefit the entire state. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.) Funding will come from 2007 Advisory funds. Request was made by the Coalition and approved by Probation for the Coalition to have input into what the Capstone Project will be as well as to receive an update regarding the program at the upcoming NCJJ meeting.

Probation Report

Steel reported they have hired a person in the Administrative Office to start building the Juvenile Fee for Service Voucher Program. The program will start in Douglas County and then will move across the state. Probation begun a pilot program for the Nebraska Office of Probation Administration NPMIS Juvenile System of Care Implementation. Probation has developed a Juvenile Probation Policy and Procedures Manual, which is the first time the state has had specific Juvenile Probation Policies and Procedures. It is in trial form and currently awaiting signatures from the Supreme Court. This is exciting for Probation as well as new screening tools to identify high or low risk needs of juveniles. Probations reports excitement as they work on training with these new implementations state wide.

Legislature Updates

Rivera reported that LB253, sponsored by Senator Ashford, states status-offenders and non-offenders would be held in detention for up to 5 days so that placement could be found, this would include abused/neglected youth. This is not acceptable due to OJJDP. A Fiscal Note was written and submitted to the Legislature. At this time Senator Ashford will not be going forward with LB253, as a committee may review the bill over the summer.

Gendler reported on LB226, a bill to lower the age of a juvenile in Nebraska from 19 years of age to 18 years of age. This bill has been introduced several years in a row and has died in part because many do not feel that the jurisdictional age should be lowered to 18 in juvenile courts. There is an amendment, worked on by Gendler and others, to allow parents/legal guardian to sign power of attorney to designate certain authorities to a juvenile once they turn 18, such as signing for an apartment, car or mental health care.

Approval of Title II Funds

Motion

A motion was made by Piccolo and seconded by Menzel to approve all Title II funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Gendler and Turnbull abstained. (Motion carried.) Further decision followed.

Amendment

A motion to amend the motion of approving all Title II funds as recommended by Grant Review Committee to include the Crime Commissions Staff recommendations in reference to 08-JJ-07, 08-JJ-11, 08-JJ-14, 08-JJ-17, & Tribe funds was made by Vaughn and seconded by Turnbull. Voting in favor of motion to amend: Vaughn. Voting against

the motion: Turnbull, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Gendler, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. (Motion failed.)

Amendment

A motion to amend the motion of approving Title II funds as recommended by Grant Review Committee and the Crime Commission staff recommendations to include approval of \$53,699.00 in funds be recommended to grant # 08-JJ-12 was made by Vaughn. Amendment failed due to no second.

Amendment

A motion to amend the motion of approving all Title II funds as recommended by Grant Review Committee to include approval of \$53,699.00 in funds be recommended to grant # 08-JJ-12 was made by Vaughn and seconded by Turnbull. Voting in favor of motion to amend: Vaughn, Turnbull, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Johns, McBride. Voting against: Piccolo, Gendler, Menzel. Glidden abstained.

Approval of Juvenile Services Funds

Motion

A motion to approve funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee was made by Piccolo and seconded by Menzel. Voting in favor of the motion: Turnbull (abstained from 09-JS-403), Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Gendler (abstained from 09-JS-403 & 09-JS-411), Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Vaughn abstained. (Motion carried.)

Amendment

Vaughn motioned to amend the motion of approving funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee to include approval of Crime Commissions Staff recommendations on grant # 09-JS-405 , 09-JS-407, 09-JS-410 , 09-JS-417, 09-JS-425, 09-JS-430. Amendment seconded by Johns. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn. Voting against: Turnbull, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Gendler, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. (Motion failed.)

Amendment

Cole-Mossman motioned to amend the motion that was motioned by Vaughn to include approval of Crime Commission Staff recommendations and to amend it to include that grant #09- JS-405, 09-JS-407, 09-JS-410, 09-JS-425, 09-JS-430 be voted on separately from grant # 09-JS-417. Voting in favor of motion: Turnbull, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Johns, McBride. Voting against: Vaughn, Piccolo, Gendler, Glidden, Menzel. Vote ending in tie; Benjamin voted against amendment. (Motion failed.)

Approval of County Aid Funds

Motion

Motion was made by Piccolo to approve County Aid Funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee and seconded by Johns. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn (abstained from 09-CA-511), Turnbull (abstained from 09-CA-508), Stuckenholtz (abstained from 09-CA-526), Cole-Mossman, Piccolo (abstained from 09-CA-533), Gendler (abstained from 09-CA-500 & 09-CA-535), Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. (Motion carried.)

Approval of County Aid Enhancement Funds

Motion

Motion was made by Piccolo to approve the County Aid Enhancement funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee and seconded by Menzel. Voting in favor of motion: Turnbull (abstained 09-EG-106), Stuckenholtz (abstained 09-EG-118), Cole-Mossman, Piccolo (abstained 09-EG-101), Gendler (abstained 09-EG-100 & 09-EG-122), Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Vaughn abstained. (Motion carried.)

Amendment

Motion was made by Vaughn to approve the County Aid Enhancement funds as recommended by the Grant Review Committee and to adopt the recommendations made by the Crime Commission Staff to fund additional programs with \$38,935.00 and the remaining funds of \$35,805.00 be carried over to the next years funding. Amendment was seconded by Johns. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz. Voting against: Turnbull, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Gendler, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. (Motion failed.)

Approval of CJJ Conference Funding

Motion

Motion was made by McBride to approve funding for up to 4 NCJJ members at \$2,500 each to attend the CJJ Conference and was seconded by Menzel. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

Amendment

Motion was made by Piccolo to change the number of NCJJ members to be funded to attend the CJJ Conference from 4 to 3 and was seconded by Johns. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

Approval of NJJA Conference Funding

Motion

Motion was made by Vaughn to approve funding for up to 5 NCJJ members to be funded at \$700.00 each to attend the NJJA Conference in Grand Island and was seconded by Menzel. Second was withdrawn by Menzel. (Motion failed due to no second.)

Motion

Motion was made by Cole-Mossman to approve funding for up to 5 NCJJ members or up to \$3,500.00 towards funding NCJJ members to attend the NJJA Conference in Grand Island and was seconded by Vaughn. Voting in favor of motion: Vaughn, Stuckenholtz, Cole-Mossman, Piccolo, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel. Turnbull and Gendler abstained. (Motion carried.)

New Business:

None at this time.

Adjournment

Kirkpatrick reported that the Crime Commission Staff have set future sites for the upcoming NCJJ meetings to assist in reducing financial costs. The upcoming June 5, 2009 NCJJ meeting will be held at the Super 8 Motel on 27th and Cornhusker in Lincoln.

Future Agenda Items:

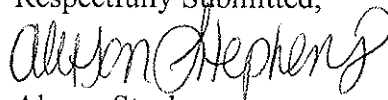
None at this time.

Public Comment:

None in attendance.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Alyson Stephens
Staff Assistant