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**Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice
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The Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ), of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice met Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. at the Scottsbluff County Detention Center, Gering, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was published August 25, 2008 in the Lincoln Journal Star.

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chris Connolly, Chair of NCJJ.

- II.** As Amended by LB 898, 2005 Legislature, a copy of the Nebraska Open meetings Act was available for public review.

III. Roll Call:

Members present: Michael Behm, Linda Benjamin, Mark Benne, Christopher Connolly, Lawrence Gendler, Kay Glidden, Andee Hardesty, Ron Johns, Thomas McBride, Elaine Menzel, Alex Moreno (arrived 9:20), Tim O'Dea, Gerard Piccolo, Kevin Stukenholtz (arrived 8:10), and Kent Turnbull. **Members excused:** James Blue, Ellen Fabian Brokofsky, Jennie Cole-Mossman, T.J. McDowell, Cheryl Miller, Kathy Moore, Terri Nutzman, Todd Reckling, Reggie Ryder, and Derek Vaughn. **Members absent:** Danielle Reinke. **Staff present:** Audra Cook, Jennifer Kirkpatrick, Stephanie Nelson, and Jamie Rivera.

Connolly thanked all the members for making the trip to Scottsbluff and the Crime Commission staff for arranging the meeting. He also thanked Ron for conducting two tours of the Detention Facility to accommodate everyone.

IV. Approval of June 6, 2008 Minutes

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Johns to approve the June 6, 2008 meeting minutes. (Motion carried unanimously.)

V. Crime Commission Report:

a. Compliance Monitoring – Jamie

Rivera reported since she started with the Crime Commission she has monitored 38 counties, which also included the Police departments, Sheriff's offices and jails (if one exists in that county). She stated due to the turnover in her position there are 16 counties left to monitor in order to stay on track with the proposed three year compliance plan. She provided a handout of the upcoming three year monitoring schedule.

Rivera reported Nebraska, overall is doing very well on violations. In July 2007 – June 2008, reported 3 violations of the jail removal requirement. She has training set up for 2 out of the 3 violations.

Rivera attended the OJJDP annual conference in Nashville. Age of Majority was one of the topics covered. A letter was received from Robert Flores, Administrator of OJJDP stating that a Juvenile may remain in a juvenile detention facility without being sight and sound separated until they reach the states maximum age of extended juvenile jurisdiction, which in Nebraska is 19.

Behm commented that Jamie has been working with the Crime Commission's legal council, David Stolz of the Law Enforcement Training Center to draft a response to Mr. Flores.

Rivera stated she has applied for technical assistance and if granted a federal representative will come to Nebraska to help develop processes along with accompanying her on monitors to some identified agencies. In addition Rivera is requesting \$2,000 for development and printing of a poster and a resource tool to hand out across the state, which will be a quick reference guide for law enforcement, county attorney's, judges, and detention center facilities.

b. Membership Update

A copy of the updated membership list was provided in the mail-out and asked if anyone had any changes to please give those to Stephanie.

Cook reported four youth have applied to be members of the coalition and she spoke to the governor's office to see if they would be appointed by the December meeting, so they could be a part of the planning process for the upcoming year. Cook added there is an opening for the Department of Education slot, since John Clark retired. Linda Benjamin was not reappointed Dawson County Commissioner, but desires to still be a part of the coalition and will be filling the volunteer spot. Menzel has been working with some County Commissioners to fill the county commissioner's spot.

Connolly reported that he was going to let his time expire on the coalition and not be asked to be reappointed. He stated he has enjoyed his twelve years with the coalition.

c. Coalition Budget information

The breakdown of the 2005/2006 budget information was provided in the mail-out.

d. Election of new chair and vice chair – nomination forms

A nomination form was provided in the mail-out and Cook stated she would also send the form electronically. Cook added she has been talking with some individuals who may be interested in these positions and noted that the chair cannot be a full time employee of the federal, state or local government. These guidelines will be verified and shared with the Coalition.

Cook asked that everyone turn in their nomination forms to her before the December meeting.

e. Plan for December meeting

Cook stated the December 5th meeting will be a short public meeting starting at 8:00 a.m. and lasting approximately a half hour. One of the items on that agenda will be voting for the chair and vice-chair positions. She added the strategic planning meeting will then follow the coalition meeting lasting the remainder of the day.

f. DMC Compliance letter

Cook stated a copy of the DMC Compliance letter was included in the mail-out. It was determined that Nebraska was found in compliance and eligible to receive the 20 percent portion of the FY 2009 Formula Grant allocation related to compliance.

g. August OJJDP Annual Conference update

Cook reported a copy of the new State Advisory Group Member training handout was provided in the mail-out, which she received at the OJJDP conference. The hand out covers members responsibilities and what is expected of them.

Cook reported a large portion of the conference covered three year planning. Also it was discussed a possibility of additional grant funds that may be available for states to apply for through Title II formula grants.

VI. Sub-Committee Reports

a. Executive:

Connolly stated the executive committee met by phone to finalize the agenda. Election of officers and the meeting to be held in Scottsbluff was discussed.

b. DMC:

Cook reported the DMC meeting is still scheduled for Friday, September 12th. She stated NJJA has added an additional day to their conference, which will be specific to DMC.

c. Grant Review:

Piccolo reported the Grant Review committee met on July 23rd to review the second announcement of the 2008 County Aid Grants, and the 2007/2008 County Aid Competitive Enhancement Grants. He said it was difficult due to the numerous programs that were requesting funds.

Piccolo asked if anyone would be interested in participating on the Grant Review Committee to contact either him self or Audra.

d. Youth:

Nothing to report.

VII. Probation Report

Connolly reported Ellen Fabian Brokofsky was unable to attend the meeting today, but would like to congratulate her on receiving the Sam Houston State University Probation Executive of the Year Award.

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Stukenholtz to congratulate Ellen Fabian Brokofsky on receiving the Sam Houston State University Probation Executive of the Year Award. (Motion carried unanimously.)

VIII. DHHS/OJS Report:

Nothing to Report.

IX. Approval of 2008 County Aid grants (second announcement)

Piccolo reported two applications were received and the summary comment sheets were provided in the mail-out with the grant review comments and recommendations.

X. Approval of 2007/2008 County Aid Competitive Enhancement Grants

Piccolo reported the summary comment sheets were provided in the mail-out with the grant review comments and recommendations. He stated that 2 of these grants were denied.

Motion

A motion was made by Piccolo and seconded by Menzel to approve the 2008 County Aid, and the 2007/2008 County Aid Enhancement grant applications as recommended by the staff/grant review. Voting in favor of the motion: Behm, Benjamin (abstained 08-101), Benne, Gendler (abstained 08-104), Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel, O'Dea, Piccolo, Stukenholtz (abstained 08-102), and Turnbull. (Motion carried)

See Attachment A, B, and C

XI. Approval of 2007 Annual Report to the Governor

Cook stated she had changed the Executive Summary portion of the report to add some statistics and be more of an eye catcher when presented to the Governor. The Executive Summary will be utilized this year to share the highlights of the programs and provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature regarding juvenile justice issues.

Discussion was held and recommendations made to the report and it was agreed by the coalition members to have the executive committee make the final changes to the report to be presented to the Governor and Legislature.

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Behm to approve the 2007 Annual Report to the Governor. Voting in favor of the motion: Behm, Benjamin, Benne, Gendler, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel, Moreno, O'Dea, Piccolo, Stukenholtz, and Turnbull. (Motion carried)

XII. Approval of Coalition members expenses to the Heartland Juvenile Services Association 12th Conference

No attendance at this conference.

XIII. Approval of funding DMC Public Awareness materials

Cook stated a request in the amount of \$2,000 to purchase DMC public awareness materials has been submitted by Doug Kramer, DMC Coordinator. Pamphlets and other public awareness items will be used to give out prior to and at the first state-wide DMC conference being held on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 in conjunction with the NJJA Conference being held May 7-8th. The materials will also be used for DMC Coordinators field work.

Motion

A motion was made by Benjamin and seconded by Benne to approve \$2,000 for DMC Public Awareness materials. Voting in favor of the motion: Behm, Benjamin, Benne, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel, Moreno, O'Dea, Piccolo, and Stukenholtz. Gendler, and Turnbull abstained. (Motion carried.)

XIV. Approval of funding Compliance Monitoring materials

Discussion was held previously in agenda item V.

Motion

A motion was made by O'Dea and seconded by Menzel to approve \$2,000 for Compliance Monitoring materials. Voting in favor of the motion: Behm, Benjamin, Benne, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel, Moreno, O'Dea, Piccolo, and Stukenholtz. Gendler and Turnbull abstained. (Motion carried.)

XV. Approval of reprint of Juvenile Justice Handbooks (English, Spanish, Vietnamese)

Cook provided a copy of each one of the handbooks for the group to review. She stated the diversion programs and courts are utilizing them the most. Cook asked for approval to reprint the handbooks to be able to distribute them at the NJJA conference and the Heartland conference to be held in Omaha.

Motion

A motion was made by Menzel and seconded by Johns to approve \$3,000 for reprinting of English, Spanish, Vietnamese Juvenile Justice Handbooks. Voting in favor of the motion: Behm, Benjamin, Benne, Glidden, Johns, McBride, Menzel, Moreno, O'Dea, Piccolo, and Stukenholtz. Gendler and Turnbull abstained. (Motion carried.)

XVI. New Business

No New Business.

XVII. Future Agenda Items

Approve Minutes, Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

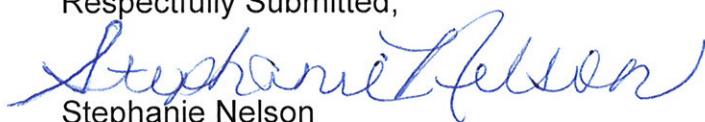
XVIII. Public Comment

None

XIX. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:50.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephanie Nelson
Staff Assistant

County Aid – 2008

Number	County	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended Staff Rvw.	Amount Recomm NCJJ	Amount Recommended Crime Comm.
08-CA-500	Dakota County	\$ 18,799.00	\$ 18,799.00	\$ 18,799.00	
08-CA-501	Buffalo County	\$ 37,662.00	\$ 37,662.00	\$ 37,662.00	
08-CA-502	Sheridan County	\$ 5,877.00	\$ 5,877.00	\$ 5,877.00	
08-CA-503	Box Butte County	\$ 12,132.00	\$ 12,132.00	\$ 12,132.00	
08-CA-504	Dodge County	\$ 30,882.00	\$ 30,882.00	\$ 30,882.00	
08-CA-505	Sherman County	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 2,870.00	
08-CA-506	Madison County	\$ 33,236.00	\$ 33,236.00	\$ 33,236.00	
08-CA-507	Clay County	\$ 40,918.00	\$ 40,918.00	\$ 40,918.00	
08-CA-508	Sarpy County	\$ 113,089.00	\$ 113,089.00	\$ 113,089.00	
08-CA-509	Cuming County	\$ 9,802.00	\$ 9,802.00	\$ 9,802.00	
08-CA-510	Lancaster County	\$ 190,686.00	\$ 190,686.00	\$ 190,686.00	
08-CA-511	Dawson County	\$ 21,636.00	\$ 21,636.00	\$ 21,636.00	
08-CA-512	Platte County	\$ 31,350.00	\$ 31,350.00	\$ 31,350.00	
08-CA-513	Saunders County	\$ 18,774.00	\$ 18,774.00	\$ 18,774.00	
08-CA-514	Lincoln County	\$ 30,745.00	\$ 30,745.00	\$ 30,745.00	
08-CA-515	Douglas County	\$ 383,048.00	\$ 383,048.00	\$ 383,048.00	
08-CA-516	Hamilton County	\$ 9,399.00	\$ 9,399.00	\$ 9,399.00	
08-CA-517	Otoe County	\$ 13,913.00	\$ 13,913.00	\$ 13,913.00	
08-CA-518	Nuckolls County	\$ 10,321.00	\$ 4,853.00	\$ 4,853.00	
08-CA-519	Dawes County	\$ 8,222.00	\$ 8,222.00	\$ 8,222.00	
08-CA-520	Scotts Bluff County	\$ 32,196.00	\$ 32,196.00	\$ 32,196.00	
08-CA-521	Cedar County	\$ 19,147.50	\$ 19,153.00	\$ 19,153.00	
08-CA-522	Seward County	\$ 15,639.00	\$ 15,639.00	\$ 15,639.00	
08-CA-523	Saline County	\$ 12,446.00	\$ 12,446.00	\$ 12,446.00	
08-CA-524	Cheyenne County	\$ 9,198.00	\$ 9,198.00	\$ 9,198.00	
08-CA-525	Washington County	\$ 17,807.00	\$ 17,807.00	\$ 17,807.00	
08-CA-526	Jefferson County	\$ 6,933.00	\$ 6,933.00	\$ 6,933.00	
08-CA-527	Thurston County	\$ 8,198.00	\$ 8,198.00	\$ 8,198.00	
08-CA-528	Holt County	\$ 11,729.00	\$ 11,729.00	\$ 11,729.00	
08-CA-529	Gage County	\$ 19,387.00	\$ 19,387.00	\$ 19,387.00	
08-CA-530	Merrick County	\$ 11,858.00	\$ 11,858.00	\$ 11,858.00	
08-CA-531	Garfield County	\$ 3,330.00	\$ 3,330.00	\$ 3,330.00	
08-CA-532	Thayer County	\$ 5,006.00	\$ 5,006.00	\$ 5,006.00	
08-CA-533	Sioux County	\$ 1,306.00	\$ 1,306.00	\$ 1,306.00	
08-CA-534	Custer County	\$ 17,935.00	\$ 17,935.00	\$ 17,935.00	
08-CA-535	Hitchcock County	\$ 7,505.00	\$ 7,505.00	\$ 7,505.00	
08-CA-536	Red Willow County	\$ 9,996.00	\$ 9,996.00	\$ 9,996.00	
08-CA-537	Richardson County	\$ 22,265.00	\$ 22,265.00	\$ 22,265.00	
08-CA-538	Hall County	\$ 44,812.00	\$ 44,812.00	\$ 44,812.00	
08-CA-539	Fillmore County	\$ 6,546.00	\$ 6,546.00	\$ 6,546.00	
08-CA-540	Butler County	\$ 8,835.00	\$ 8,835.00	\$ 8,835.00	
08-CA-541	Colfax County	\$ 9,851.00	\$ 9,851.00	\$ 9,851.00	
08-CA-542	York County	\$ 13,664.00	\$ 13,664.00	\$ 13,664.00	
08-CA-543	Polk County	\$ 5,087.00	\$ 5,087.00	\$ 5,087.00	
TOTALS		\$ 1,344,037.50	\$ 1,338,575.00	\$ 1,338,575.00	

2007 County Aid Enhancement Grants
\$141,367 Available

Number	County	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended Staff Rvw.	Amount Recomm NCJJ	Amount Recommended Crime Comm.
07-EG-100	Merrick County	\$ 6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	
07-EG-101	Seward County	\$ 6,118.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
07-EG-102	Otoe County	\$ 11,530.00	\$11,390.00	\$11,390.00	
07-EG-103	Lincoln County	\$ 53,475.54	\$31,130.00	\$31,130.00	
07-EG-104	Clay County	\$ 38,817.00	\$22,158.00	\$22,158.00	
07-EG-105	Madison County	\$ 11,671.00	\$9,514.00	\$9,514.00	
07-EG-106	Sherman County	\$ 4,395.00	\$3,307.00	\$3,307.00	
07-EG-107	Douglas County (split grant with 08-EG-109)	\$ 85,382.00	\$57,868.00	\$57,868.00	
		\$ 217,388.54	\$141,367.00	\$141,367.00	

Attachment B

2008 County Aid Enhancement Grants
\$158,778 Available

Number	County	Amount Requested	Recommended Staff Rvw.	Recomm NCJJ	Recommended Crime Comm.
08-EG-100	Custer County	\$ 2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	
08-EG-101	Dawson County	\$ 37,669.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	
08-EG-102	Saunders County	\$ 1,559.00	\$1,559.00	\$1,559.00	
08-EG-103	Lancaster County	\$ 95,243.00	\$28,243.00	\$28,243.00	
08-EG-104	Sarpy County	\$ 16,625.00	\$12,625.00	\$12,625.00	
08-EG-105	Box Butte County	\$ 25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
08-EG-106	Platte County	\$ 19,912.70	\$18,413.00	\$18,413.00	
08-EG-107	Cheyenne County	\$ 32,478.00	\$16,588.00	\$16,588.00	
08-EG-108	Cuming County	\$ 5,825.00	\$5,825.00	\$5,825.00	
08-EG-109	Douglas County (split with 07-EG-107)		\$10,865.00	\$10,865.00	
		\$ 236,411.70	\$32,560.00	\$32,560.00	

Attachment C