

JCAB Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 20th, 2025

JCAB Mission: Wyandotte County works together to support positive youth development and a safe community through the efficient and effective use of resources.

I. Call to order:

Meeting called order at 9:07am, by Judge York

II. Roll call:

The following Board members were in attendance:

Terri Broadus, Shelby Woodward, Dr. Rena Duewel, Phil Lockman, Mindy Fugarino, Maj. Brittanie Pruitt, Curtis Ross, Judge Delia York, Jamie Oborg

Not Present: Garrett Relph, Andrea Paulakovich, Michael Knight, Michael Nichols, Clarice Podrebarac,

III. Approval of minutes for October 17, 2024

1st York, 2nd Terri Broadus

Roll Call:

Yes vote-unanimously

IV. New Business

a) Q2 JCAB Grant Program Updates

- **Lowriding 2 Success Bike Club – Martin Cervantes (See Report)**
- **Jegna Klub (Connecting the Dottes) – Moses Wyatt (See Report)**
- **Connections to Success (Project START) – Cory Finley (See Report)**
- **One Circle (Boys Council and Girls Circle) – Curtis Ross (See Report)**

b) Q2 Juvenile Comprehensive Grant Program Updates

- **Delinquency Prevention (Heartland 180, Inc) – Max Mendoza (See Report)**

York: Max, please remind us of what Open Circle is.

Max: Open circle uses the One Circle curricula but is open to both boys and girls. It's not gender specific. Moving forward, under the Comprehensive Plan grant One Circle curricula was written into the service agreement. This will allow us to make referral to the boys group, girls group and Open Circle.

Our staff will be working on getting certified this fiscal year in TBRI (Trauma Based Relational Interventions). We will be adding parent support groups to our programming as well. We currently have a men's support group called "Kansas City Men's Trauma Coalition" that meets once a month. None of that programming is funded under this.

- **Substance Use Therapy (A Connecting Pointe, LLC) – Tyson McQuay (See Report)**

York: Having a quick turnaround in terms of referrals for evaluations has been critical to ultimate success on any kind of supervision. I often ask the youth how they see their treatment progressing and they are by and large very positive about their experiences.

c) Q2 Reinvestment Grant Program Updates

- **Mental Health Therapy (PACES) – Brooke Adamek (See Report)**

York: Regarding the substance abuse treatment, we appreciate having Brooke available to do intakes very quickly. This quick process allowing the parents to engage immediately has been critical.

- **Juvenile Services Center Programming – Bonnie Mejia (See Report)**

d) FY2025 Q2 Agency Case Plan Progress – Bonnie Mejia See Report

Mary: We have had good feedback from the officers about us coming out and talking to them about what we do and what we do not do and how to help.

York: Remind everyone what IIP is.

Bonnie: IIP (Immediate Intervention Program) is statutorily considered the Diversion program that is under Curtis Ross, Court Services. We are in contact with KDOC due to the MOU that was completed.

York: Diversion means a formal case was filed and the youth decided to sign a contract with the DA's office to complete certain terms then their case would be dismissed at the end of the term. Court Services staff supervise those youth. IIP was really intended to be a diverted, no formal case filing but the youth go through the Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center. There are ways and some conditions that can be implemented to avoid a formal filing. The DA's office has the discretion whether to offer any kind of immediate intervention programming. We do not have anyone from the DA's office to talk with about IIP. This program has not come to fruition.

Bonnie: It is a much-needed services and my goal is to work with the DA's office to get this service implemented in Wyandotte County.

Phil: I was on a conference call with Secretary Milner about adult funding. The state is completely revamping the whole structure of how they disperse funds and decide who gets funding. It is quantitatively based on data and the numbers of offenders we have based on risk level. On the adult side, there is going to be a potential 10 to 20% reduction that will go to other counties that need the money more than certain counties. She did not want to tackle juvenile funding until they got done with the adult. They will start on juvenile as soon as they finish adult, which will be in the next six months. They are looking at it taking effect FY2027. I can guarantee the number of youths on IP's will be a part of that formula. If we do not have young people on IIP, we can expect to see a loss of 30 to 35% of our funding. Just wanted all to know that we really need to address the IIP. I realize the DA's office is involved, but if we don't come to an agreement and get this programming going, which we are statutorily required to do, we are going to receive less money and that can cause catastrophic results.

Bonnie: I'm going to work on that. IIP service will be a great service for our youth.

Mary: It would be nice to get the IIP immediately instead of it sitting at someone's desk for three or four months waiting to look at it to see if it could be an IIP. By that time, we will have missed the boat.

Bonnie: Mary, I would love for you to be a part of this process.

York: What the law requires of IIP is an MOU between the DA's office and JIAC and one of our other supervising agencies, Court Services or Community Corrections. All of that for the purpose of laying out the logistics of how youth are referred into an IIP. There is work to be done, but ultimately the discretion of filing a case falls squarely and equivocally with the DA's office.

Motion to approve Comprehensive Plan Grant: 1st York, 2nd Phil

Roll Call: Unanimously-yes.

e) FY2026/FY2027 KDOC Evidence-Based Grant Funding- Bonnie Mejia (See Report)

York: We have a sub-committee established to review the applications. We will meet on February 25th to review and discuss the applications. We will meet back with the full board members on March 27th to vote on the applicants/grants.

Bonnie: There were 29 visits to the e-procurement site for the solicitation. Six suppliers submitted. One supplier was considered non-responsive because they did not receive all the documents. That leaves us with 5 applications to review for funding.

The total amount for two fiscal years is \$938,756.40 which means \$469,000.00 a year. There was \$1,300,000.00 submitted for grants request.

York: Does anyone have any old business to discuss?

Bonnie: Lana Gerber is retiring, and Dr. Rena Duewel will replace her.

York: Thank you for joining us, for volunteering to advocate for the student population in Wyandotte County.

I will make an effort to communicate with the DA's office about having a participant of these meetings.

Max: I want to share information with the board that can affect the JCAB. There are two pieces of legislation that are being pushed, HB2325 and HB2329. HB2325 is going to propose to allow the judges to sanction youth to Detention for technical violations. HB2329 is going to propose group homes again, which kind of goes against HB367. I wanted to put this on your radar because it may affect the work you are doing.

York: The legislature is considering some amendments to the Juvenile Code. There were hearings where folks spoke in support and in opposition to the change. I don't know if there has been any movement either way.

- **Sub-committee to meet on Tuesday, 02/25/25 at 1:00pm (via zoom) to discuss received JCAB Grant Applications**
- **Full JCAB to meet on Thursday, 03/27/25 at 9:00am at the Juvenile Services Center to review and vote on FY2026/FY2027 KDOC Evidence Based Grants (JCAB and Reinvestment) and FY2026 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan Grant**

V. Old Business:

Adjournment: 10:05am