

JJAB MEETING

JJAB Chairperson: Eric Hawkins

Vice Chairperson: David Finke

JUNE 14, 2024, 1PM – 4PM EST

DRURY INN BROWNSBORO ROAD, LOUISVILLE, KY



JUNE 2024 Meeting Summary

Date | time FRI, JUNE 14, 2024, | 1 pm - 5 pm | **Meeting Location** DRURY INN BROWNSBORO ROAD, LOUISVILLE, KY

Meeting called to order by Eric Hawkins at 1:09 pm

WELCOME & MEMBER ROLL CALL

Board Members present: In Person: Eric Hawkins, Kristy Flippins-Bartlett, Elzie Burgher, Ashely Clark, Cicely Cottrell, David Finke, Jansen Hammock, Deonte Hollowell, Tamar Israel, Laura Karem, Brianna Neukomm, Matt Reed, Sydney Skaggs, Christina Weeter **Via ZOOM:** Stephanie Spires, Tiffany Mullis,

DJJ Staff present: In person: Tara Kelly, Carly Gill, Linda Thomason

Via ZOOM: John Fitzpatrick, Kevin Agee,

Guest Present: Kenya Wade,

Eric opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Drury Inn Brownsboro Road, Louisville, KY

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of April minutes:

Christina Weeter made the motion to accept the April minutes as written, seconded by Cicely Cottrell. Motion carried.

Leah Boggs – New Member Training - Two new member recommendations have been sent to the Governor's Office for approval. Leah Boggs – General Counsel to the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, went over New Member Training, there were several conversations about specific policies.

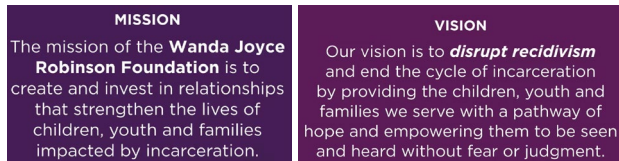
JJAB Annual Retreat Recap – Eric Hawkins – Yesterday we started off with a presentation of the Crime Analysis Report from Dr. Betsy Matthews Eastern Kentucky University ECU – years 2020 – 2022. Kentucky is still holding with the trends that nationally we are under in crime and over on incarceration which means we have to continue to educate our legislators, judges, and members of the judiciary legal system to better understand where and how they can be more effective in serving justice to Kentuckians. Discussion on strategies for Kentucky to be more involved in delinquency prevention to keep kids from ever touching the system as well. Discussion about the impact of the 2024 Legislative Session and what is seen as possible negative consequences going forward based off AOC Data. Terry Brooks and Courtney Downs from KY Youth Advocates spoke about the 2024 General Assembly. The 2024 Kids Count Data book will be available Monday, and KYA will be invited back to walk through the data to gather a better understanding. Members of the KY Youth Advocates counsel and Youth Build. Discussion about the lived experiences and what they are seeing in the work that they do. Q & A between JJAB and the youth to help us better understand how we can be more effective as a board in serving these youth and families.

JJAB Elections – Eric Hawkins – the Board voted for Eric Hawkins Chair, and Dr. David Finke Vice Chair continue. Kristy Flippins-Bartlett expressed interest in being the chair of Emerging Leaders subcommittee. Laura Karem resigned as the Chair of Emerging Leaders subcommittee, and Kristy Flippins-Bartlett was voted in as Chair of Emerging Leaders.

By-Laws – Stephanie Spires – There were two language changes and then Eric called the JJAB Board to a vote on the revised By-laws. Laura called for a motion, Elzie seconded the motion, the vote was carried.

Wanda Joyce Robinson Foundation – Amy Snow

The organization is only five and a half years old; and has had funding for full time staff for the past year and a half. WJRF is still a young organization, but has done a lot of work in those five and a half years.



WJRF is accredited now, with 6 full time staff, 2 part time Middle/High School program coordinators (through Title II funding), and 40 directly involved staff. In Frankfort there are more than 800 students impacted by incarceration of a parent. The focus is on the social and emotional issues these children face.

WJRF offers free weekly video visitation for children of incarcerated parents.

KRUSH – Kids Rising Up Through Support and Healing - is in its fifth year in Franklin Co with 298 kids attending weekly Pre-K through 12th Grade. Through KRUSH with improved school attendance, behaviors and kids being sent to alternative school we know it is working.

CLE KRUSCH Collab – Purpose: to improve relationships between children and law enforcement.

Amachi – One to one mentoring program with 28 matches trauma informed.

After School programs

Youth Thrive – Youth Cafes that are youth led

Family Fellowship Events

Boys and Girls Club of America – will be starting it will be an open club with an infacis on kids impacted through incarceration.

R/ED Update: - Tara Kelly

July 10, 2024, will be our SEJAY Retreat we will be looking at statewide data that is due to OJJDP July 29, 2024, to help reduce disparities in Kentucky.

Committee Updates

Executive: - Moving forward looking at requirements for the board, reaching out to CHFS, Legislators, Governor’s office. The vision for justice involved youth – focus on prevention and reducing impact on youth.

Grants – met two weeks ago and looked at last year’s grant recipients. 1- is doing well, 2 – have given feedback as to why they fell behind. Decision to encourage those grant recipients that have fallen behind to look at a no cost extension instead of applying for another grant.

Grant Review Update: - met June 10, 2024, we have five folks on the Grant Review Committee. Reviewed overview of IGX, the scoring rubric, and what questions to ask when reviewing the application. We have 11 applications to review. The full amount to be awarded is \$817,000.00, with close to 3 million in the ask. There will be a gap for some of these applicants.

SEJAY: - held two listening sessions so far, the one in June was in Hopkinsville, Christian Co – one of the highest counties with R/ED Racial and Ethnic disparities. Men2Be had 50 young men join. The young people led the discussions, and SEJAY is hoping to have listening sessions with youth who are currently incarcerated.

Emerging Leaders: - had a virtual meeting in May but were not able to meet in person at Northern as planned. Some youth from BRIDGING the Gap participate in the discussion.

Youth Voice: - Jansen Hammock expressed it was great to observed programs in Louisville that are not present in Eastern KY.

Sydney Skaggs - expressed it was good to see the structure of the board and how it operates. Discussing stipends for youth with lived experience.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 16, 2024 @1PM KY TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
FRANKFORT

ADJOURNMENT: