

# JJAB MEETING

JJAB Chairperson: Eric Hawkins

Vice Chairperson: David Finke

APR2024 Meeting Summary



**Date | time** Friday, APRIL 19, 2024 | 1-4 p.m. | **Meeting Location** GOODWILL WEST LOUISVILLE OPPORTUNITY CENTER, LOUISVILLE, KY

**Meeting called to order by** Eric Hawkins at 1:13 pm

## WELCOME & MEMBER ROLL CALL

**Board Members present: In Person:** Eric Hawkins, Kristy Flippins-Bartlett, Ashely Clark, Cicely Cottrell, Laura Karem, Christina Weeter **Via Zoom:** Stephanie Barrows, Dr. David Finke, Jansen Hammock, Deonte Hollowell, Tamar Israel, Greg Jones, Sarah Langer, Tiffany Mullis, Breanna Neukomm, Matt Reed, Sidney Skaggs, Judge Derwin Webb, Angela Wilson, Theresa Wolcott.

**DJJ Staff present: In person:** Tara Kelly, Carly Gill, Linda Thomason, Todd Stetler (AOC).

**Via ZOOM:** Kevin Agee, Elzie Burgher, Heather Campbell, John Fitzpatrick, Tamara Hart, Monique Khumalo, Emily Swintosky, Kenny Wade, Stacey Williams, Theresa Wolcott.

**Guest Present:** Kalissa Davis, Lacey McNary, Valerie Newburg, Savvy Shabazz, Ron Triplett, Kenya Wade, Stephanie Willis, Angela Wilson.

Eric opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. We are here at the beautiful Norton Healthcare Goodwill Opportunity Center located at 2820 West Broadway in West Louisville.

## OLD BUSINESS:

### Approval of December minutes:

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

Eric spoke briefly about the new Norton Healthcare Goodwill Opportunity Center: This is 125,000 square ft building and is the single largest investment (\$50,000,000.00) in West Louisville in 25 years. We have 20 community partners from legal aid – financial services – education. Last year Goodwill celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Kentucky.

### AOC Data Presentation: – Todd Stetler

#### Statewide Update

- Statewide update for calendar year 2023 trends in complaints filed in the last six years. Before the pandemic we were sitting right at a little over 18,000 complaints filed. When the pandemic hit, we were at half of our previous levels for complaints filed. We are now starting to trend back up with almost 17,500 complaints filed in 2023. That is about 1000 less than pre-pandemic levels, but those levels have essentially recovered to pre-pandemic levels now.

#### Breakdown of Public and Status offense

- Public offense - would be any offense that could be charged as an adult.
- Status offense – are child specific truancy, beyond control, runaway.

We are 2000 complaints below pre-pandemic levels for status offenses, and just over 1000 above pre-pandemic levels for public offenses we have seen a shift in the makeup of those offenses. Attached is the full 2023 CDW Statewide Update for your review.

- There was discussion looking at the 2023 data and the effect of House Bill 5 on our youth

### **Grant Updates:**

FY 20-21 Grant Solicitation Update – Carly Gill

Title II Formula Grant opened April 5<sup>th</sup> and closes May 10<sup>th</sup>. Currently we have 18 possible subgrantees with three weeks left until the close of the solicitation. These are eighteen folks who have started an application and they may have just opened it to see if they qualify. We have \$800,000.00 to distribute for this solicitation and three weeks is plenty of time for us to get the message out and for anyone interested to apply. Eric asked if anyone on the call or in the room needed the link to the solicitation, and Carly will supply that link.

### **1:15pm – 1:30 pm Break**

### **DJJ Updates:**

JDAI – Theresa Wolcott

- Currently JDAI is working on renewing all the ATD's contracts. Getting those contracts in place for the next two fiscal years.
- We had a statewide meeting held in March with a lot of the county chairs across the state. We will be working with AOC in conjunction with the data presented today making changes and revamping the detention screening instrument.
- Looking to expand JDAI in to two new counties this Fall. We have had conversations with the judges in Jessamine Co and Scott Co.

### **R/ED Update: Tara Kelly**

We had planned our first listening session for 2024 for April 26<sup>th</sup> in Hopkinsville, Christian co. That was the plan, but as I was going through the approval process for DJJ support of our SEJAY. The founder of the program's coordinator had to cancel. We are looking at another date and the location will either be in Hopkinsville /Christian Co, or Jefferson Co. That is where we are at with the listening sessions, and we are just going to continue moving forward.

We are really concerned about House Bill 5 and the implications this has for our youth. We do not know as a subcommittee what we can do to help our youth who will be negatively impacted by it. A lot of the things we have been discussing. I have re-mentioned to Eric and a few others are the grass root programs that have always been around we just really, really, need to support those programs in our communities they have the answers. We just need to think of innovative ways to identify current grass roots programs and what we can do to help. Those are the programs who already have the infrastructure that might be considering applying for a grant and we need to try and find better ways to assist with that. Hopefully these programs can mitigate some of the negative impact of House Bill 5.

## **SEJAY Update:** – Dr. Hollowell

Dr. Hollowell reiterated his concern for the listening sessions and the slow or non-existing response. Next meeting is May 1, 2024, we invite everyone to come especially if you have young folks who would like to come and express ideas. That is really what we trying to do, and we are trying to have our SEJAY retreat this summer as well. May 10, 2024, is the date we are shooting for, for the next listening session in Hopkinsville Christian Co. Tara and I will let you know exact dates.

## **Executive Committee** – Eric Hawkins

Dr. Finke introduced the Board to Savay Shabaz executive director and founder of Reach One Teach One fellowship, he has an amazing story. We are going to try and get him back for the next bi monthly meeting.

## **Grants Update:** Dr. Finke

We had a Grants committee meeting and we covered two main topics. One was making sure the announcement for the grant's solicitation was set as it should be. We did some tweaking of that, and the other was we reviewed the first quarter reports from the four subgrantees who received monies during the last cycle. We will be getting a second quarter review from them it is actually due later this month.

The solicitation closes May 10, 2024, so if you are interested in being a part of the review committee, please let me know by April 30, 2024. This is for Juvenile Justice Advisory Board members only. Grants committee members I sent out the rubric for this solicitation if you can please review and get back with me on whether you want to use it or if you have something else in mind that would be great. I need to have it to key up in to IGX by April 30, 2024.

The first week after April 30, 2024, we will offer training to anyone who wants to learn about how to access IGX, and we will do a training on the rubric down the road.

## **Capacity Building Update:** Matt Reed

Working to develop a board survey this will serve as a regular and consistent way for board members to provide feedback on functionality and needs. The draft of this survey will be presented at the next SED meeting and that is May 8, 2024. I am excited about a couple of board members for the orientation information kind of a mini formal orientation that we are going to provide to the SEJAY at their May 1, 2024, meeting and to Emerging Leaders May 13, 2024. Thanks to Carly we have an additional page we can add to our formal JJAB application packet. This page is internally developed for the board so we can capture specific information that will be helpful to us such as what gap this board member is going to fill. Want to second Eric's opening comments providing a warm welcome to our guest today on the call and to our new members I am looking forward to meeting you all soon. We are looking forward to hosting one of the new member orientation sessions as part of the retreat we have planned for June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> a lot more information to come. Next Capacity Building meeting May 8<sup>th</sup> 11 am by Zoom.

## **Emerging Leaders Update:** Laura Karem

Youth counsel chaperones for youth at the conferences and how JJAB can approach travel or accommodations for chaperones for youth in the future. We have a presentation coming up from Breanna Neukomm May 13, 2024. Meeting in person at Northern KY YDC has not been confirmed. We will stay on top of it. Latosha Perry from Open Arms presented at our meeting we had a pretty good attendance of youth or interested youth. As a result, we also have our application to be a youth. Take the opportunity at Northern Ky YDC to see youth in a setting detectives ice cream and talk involvement in the business meeting on May 13, 2024, open to all

members. not just members of Emerging Leaders. Tara sent email to the Leadership at Northern KY YDC she has not heard back.

DJJ leadership needs to approve a tour, if you all are interested, let Carly know what facility you want to visit, and she will run it by DJJ leadership.

Advertisement OJJDP is sponsoring youth justice advocacy action month mini grant these are available to state agency SAG's and to our nonprofit groups I will post a link I believe they are \$1000 - \$5000 dollar awards so they really are mini grants. To make sure our youth voices are heard and directing our juvenile justice dollars. It is not going to be just youth justice advocacy month it is going to be like three months this year because we are celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. There is an upcoming webinar May 7, 2024 and those grants are available.

### **ADHOC – Governance Committee Update:** - Stephanie Spires

Stephanie wishes she could attend via ZOOM, but she is ill, so we send her well wishes and hope she recovers quickly. We probably need to think about how to incorporate the governance topic in the retreat this June that is her suggestion.

### **Youth Voice Update:**

Sidney Skaggs – I am very excited to be a part of the board and progressing juvenile justice making sure all kids are being advocated for or on behalf of them. I graduated from the University of Kentucky recently with a degree in Political Science and English and I will be attending the University of Cincinnati Law School in the Fall. I am looking forward to being on the legal side as well.

Valerie Newburg – I also graduated from the University of Kentucky with a study of Political Science and Philosophy. I am currently working in litigation with Morgan and Morgan. This Fall I will be attending Law School at the University of Chicago. I am excited to be here.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

DAC Data  
Bylaws

### **NEXT MEETING**

JJAB Retreat June 13th and 14th  
Location: Drury Inn Brownsboro Road, Louisville, KY

### **ADJOURNMENT: 4:04PM**