

Lake County Juvenile Justice Council Quarterly Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2021 at 1 p.m. via Zoom

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Meeting Recorded

Introductions

Call to order: 1:08 p.m.

Board Members present: State's Attorney Eric Rinehart, Karen Levi, Director James Edwards, Board Member Gina Roberts, Public Defender Joy Gossman, John Bailey, Judge Ortiz, Judge Morizon, Superintendent Michael Karner

Council Members present: Cheryl Gilleran, Michael Randall, Dr. Progar, Nick Caputa, Pat Maher, Lisa LeBoeuf, Lauren Linn, Nick Chapman, Dennis McMahon, MoDena Stinette, Tara Ori, Kristen Stone, Sara Zamor, Amy Falbe, Jeanne Barrett Smith, Nikki Michelle

Board Members absent: Sheriff John Idleberg

- 1. Introductions of all members present
- 2. Minutes from 11/3/21 are approved.
- Discussed old business. Showed the council our new logo. Discussed information about availability for seminar at CLC. Told the council that there is no capacity limit on the venue at CLC. Told council that until we get a coordinator, Karen will try to set up social media accounts: Facebook and Instragram.
- 4. Discussed further about the spring seminar. Decided that it should be full day...not half day. Judge Morozin suggested including a presentation by the Cal Berkeley who is doing research on court fees. Also he brought up the problem of homelessness and substance abuse issues with youth. Dr. Progar (in the chat) volunteered to do a trauma informed training. Superintendent Karner added that he has information and data about juvenile homeless issues. Board member Gina Roberts will contact Cal Berkeley.

- 5. Karen gave very brief information about TACTIC, the police diversion program in Park Forest. Informed members that the State's Attorney signed a letter of support for the AG's office to get a grant to have this program implemented in Lake County. Maybe set up a separate meeting to present to council? Karen will follow up with TACTIC people.
- 6. Karen let the council know that the website it in progress. If anyone has any ideas for content in the website, contact Karen.
- Discussed the different committees that will be beneficial to our council. Asked members to consider volunteering for different committees: R.E.D., School Outreach, Trainings/Seminars and Legislative Updates.
- 8. Talked to members about the need for the JJC Coordinator position. We have it posted, but have not received a good response. Asked members to forward it to anyone who may be interested.
- 9. Informed members that we need to have a youth member per the grant. Joy suggested that we try to find someone who has been through the system. Even if the youth is in high school, that person may be able to attend our meeting during the day with the school's permission. Superintendent Karner said that someone from his student advisory council may be interested. Karen suggested maybe having a separate youth committee to allow a number of youth to participate.
- 10. Nikki Michelle from the LGBTQ+ center in Lake County added that there is a need for a law enforcement liaison. Karen offered to follow up with her to see if there is anything that the council can do.
- 11. Karen asked the members for ideas for speakers for the Spring seminar and proposed dates in late April/early May.

Adjournment – 1:57 p.m.

This meeting was recorded