LAKE COUNTY
Juvenile Justice
Council

Lake County Juvenile Justice Council Board Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2026 at 1 pm

Meeting was recorded

Participants:

Gregory Ticsay, Lake County Public Defender
Hon. Marnie Slavin, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Hon. Reginald Mathews, 19th Judicial Circuit Court
Lisa LeBoeuf, Lake County State's Attorney's Office
Gina Roberts, Lake County Board
Eric Rinehart, Lake County State's Attorney
Karen Levi, Lake County State's Attorney's Office
Linsay Hale, Lake County Juvenile Justice Coordinator

Guests:
Adriane Price, College of Lake County

Call to order at 1:00 pm

1. Approve July 1, 2026 meeting minutes – TABLED

2. Election of JJC Board Chair/Vice Chair – TABLED

3. Lake County Juvenile Justice Council Bylaws – Linsay Hale

   a. Board Membership/Voting – The Board discussed the caveat in the draft bylaws providing for one vote per agency or organization, noting that three agencies represented on the Board—the State's Attorney, Public Defender, and 19th Judicial Circuit Court—have multiple representatives. The Board confirmed that voting membership shall be limited to the following:

      - Lake County State's Attorney or designee;
      - Lake County Public Defender or designee;
      - Lake County Sheriff or designee;
      - Supervising Judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit Court's Juvenile Division or designee;
      - Director of the Division of Juvenile Probation & Detention Services for the 19th Judicial Circuit Court or designee;
      - Lake County Board Chair or designee; and
      - Superintendent of the Regional Office of Education or designee.

      A quorum shall consist of a majority of the voting members (four members).

   b. JJC Youth Advisory Board - The Juvenile Justice Council's recommendations relating to the formation of a Youth Advisory Board were presented and discussed.

      LCJJC Board members present voted unanimously to approve the LCJJC Bylaws with the adjustment to the Board membership, voting and quorum requirements.

4. Juvenile Justice Council/Committee Update – Linsay Hale

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Linsay updated the Board on recent efforts of the Juvenile Justice Council, to include the recruitment strategy for the Youth Advisory Board, efforts to highlight service providers throughout Lake County, and work to expand restorative justice resources and options available to criminal justice professionals.

Board members commented on the importance of reaching out to schools throughout the county to ensure awareness of the creation of and recruitment for a Youth Advisory Board.

5. HB 4639 (Expansion of Restorative Justice Options) – Linsay Hale

    a. Resource Page – In response to the passage of HB 4639, the Juvenile Justice Council has requested a webpage be created that indexes available restorative justice options in the County. Linsay discovered that members of the State's Attorney's Gun Violence Prevention Initiative are working on creating a similar website. Once complete, this will be linked to the JJC webpage.

    b. Restorative Justice Seminar – Initial discussions are underway among the JJC and SAO's Deflection and Diversion programs regarding a potential county-wide restorative justice seminar for service providers and criminal justice professionals. Additional details will be shared as planning progresses.

6. JJC Grant/Budget Update – Linsay Hale

    A budget modification was recently approved by IDHS, reallocating FY27 JJC grant funds from travel and supplies to contractual services. This adjustment will provide additional hours for the JJC Coordinator to support the development and implementation of JJC initiatives, including the Youth Advisory Board.

7. Next Meeting:

    a. JJC Board: January 6, 2027, 1:00 pm
    b. JJC: November 19, 2026, 10:00 am
    c. R/ED Committee: November 18, 2026, 2:00 pm

8. Adjourned at 1:45 pm

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