

**Circuit 20 Juvenile Justice Board Minutes
September 19, 2012**

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Sandra Pavelka, Chair; Wendi Braswell, Secretary; Dannielle Brun, Vice-Chair; Larry Barnhill, Lutheran Services; William Naylor, Lee County Sheriff's Office

Department of Juvenile Justice Staff: Peg LaMarca

Welcome and Introductions:

Chair Pavelka called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

No Quorum, minutes from May meeting reviewed but not voted on. Will be reviewed for approval at next meeting;

DJJ Report:

Peg LaMarca that there is a focus on front end services within the department, including Civil Citation. Charlotte has 9 referrals, Glades is open for referrals, but has not yet received any.

COUNTY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Charlotte:

No representative from Charlotte County in attendance. Next meeting is the 24th of September.

Collier:

No Representative of Collier County in attendance, but several members present reported on items that they are involved with. Recently a City Council woman was inquiring into Collier DJJ regarding services for kids in the area. A new Chair has been elected for this council and will be taking over soon. There are more than 50 cases on the Truancy Court docket at any given time. Youth Haven is opening and has applied for CINS/FINS and HHS funds.

Hendry/Glades:

No representative from Hendry/Glades in attendance.

Lee:

William Naylor reported that Larry Barnhill has been elected Chair for the county council. The next meeting is October 4th.

Invest In Children:

A committee has been submitted to the Department for funding review. At this time no additional information has been received.

Grant Writing Sub-Committee:

No formal meetings or membership has yet been established for this group, but continued networking is being done by Dr. Pavelka. She will be working to schedule a meeting before the November Circuit Board Meeting to bring together some of the potential members to discuss options and opportunities.

Open Forum:

Dr. Pavelka reported that there will be the Mental Health Education Forum on October 12th at Broadway Palm. The proceeds will go to Hope Club House. On October 25th, the Education Summit will be held at Harborside. Governor Scott will be the Keynote speaker.

William Naylor opened the discussion about the Children's Services Tax. This issue will go back to the voters on a regular basis now. The intent is to add funding for local children's services in the area.

Wendi Braswell noted that the Department of Children and Families has rebranded and has new logos, new uniforms and the website is myfloridafamilies.com.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

Next General Board meeting is scheduled for November 14th, 2012.