

CLAY COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL
Minutes for January 9, 2012 Meeting

Present:

Francisco, Stacy-Florida Dept. of Correction
Geoghagan, Stephanie – Clay Action Coalition
Kitchens, Angela- State Attorney's Office
Rosito, Diana-Daniel Memorial ASAP Project

Harrison, Debbi- Florida Dept of Corrections
Mueller, Deborah – Clay County Teen Court
Walker, Sebrina-Henry and Rilla White Foundation

Call to order/Acceptance of Minutes:

Angela Kitchens called the meeting to order and asked those present to introduce themselves. The minutes from November 14, 2011 meeting were reviewed and there was one noted correction to the minutes. Under the topic Membership and Growth the word "guess" should be corrected as "guest". After noted correction the minutes were approved.

CCJJC Business and Announcements:

Membership and Growth:

Invited guest are Diana Rosito with Daniel Memorial ASAP Project and Stacy Francisco and Debbi Harrison both with the Florida Department of Correction.

It was suggested that members of the CCJJC see about visiting a neighboring county that has a Juvenile Justice Council about the size of Clay County and see how they are operating and what are they doing to grow the membership and help their community.

Focus on Reducing Juvenile Crime and Reports/Assisting the Community:

Angela presented statics received from the State Attorney Office regarding Diverted Cases success rate before and after the Post Plea. Before the Post Pleas – beginning in January 2011- May 2011 there were 163 cases diverted: 109 were successful completions; 9 were unsuccessful; 38 were rejected; and 7 received new arrest.

June 1, 2011-Dec 31, 2011 there were 219 diverted cases: 165 were successful completions; 5 unsuccessful; and there are approximately 107cases pending. Now that youth have to enter a Post Plea before being referred to Diversion the success rate of youth completing a diversion program has increased. After entering a plea if the youth does not successfully complete their particular diversion program, then they will be sent back to court and sentence.

There was a brief discussion about looking for various videos online related juveniles talking about their personal involvement with the Legal System and how it has affected their future. Angela Kitchens received a Scared Straight Video and website from one of her hearing officers. Angela reviewed the video and it may be a little to graphic for the youth we want to show the video too. No updated on a Jr. High, High School, or SJRCC putting together a production related to Juvenile Crime and Consequences.

Circuit Board Meetings:

CCJJC need to select 3 or 4 voting members to attend the Circuit Board Meetings. The Circuit Board will meet on the 2nd Friday of March, June, September, and December of current year (2012) @ 8:30am at the Youth Crisis Center located in Duval County. Angela Kitchens, Deborah Mueller, and Sebrina Walker have agreed to attend the March Circuit Board Meeting.

Bylaws:

Bylaws need to updated/retyped and accepted. Will try to have ready for next CCJJC meeting (2/13/2012)

Agencies Topics/Reports/Statistics

Truancy:

Questions regarding Truancy Issues/Cases will be discussed at the next CCJJC meeting.

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Positive Achievement Change Tool (PACT) statistics will be presented by Chief Probation Officer, Rob Charlton at the next CCJJC meeting. The PACT is used by DJJ to "determine the youth's risk to re-offend and to help staff/JPO/Case Managers understand how to reduce a youth's risk to re-offend by focusing on the youth criminogenic needs". DJJ Juvenile Probation Officers will be doing guest speaking at the Consequences of Crime Classes and Teen Court in Clay County.

Deborah Mueller announced that the Teen Court Trip to the Florida Supreme Court and Senate was a great success.

Daniel Memorial ASAP Project

Diana Rosito with Daniel Memorial ASAP Project gave a brief presentation about the Adolescent Suicide Awareness and Prevention Project (ASAP Project). The ASAP Project provides various training to anyone who work with youth on how to recognize and understand the warning signs and risk factors of suicide. ASAP services Nassau, Clay, St. Johns, and Duval Counties and provide the following trainings and services:

- QPR Gatekeeper Training (Daniel Memorial)
- QPRT Suicide Risk Assessment and Training Course –Online
- School Base Prevention (Daniel)
- Family Involvement (Daniel)
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)
- Evaluation (University of South Florida)

Please see attached handouts for further information on the above listed trainings, services, and the next scheduled QRP (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training.

Community Calendar Events

Angela Kitchens attended a Speak Up Be Safe Facilitators Training that will be implemented into Clay County Schools to teach children and facilitators on how to acknowledge abuse, speak up about it and how to report abuse. The program will focus on grade levels 1st- 5th.

On 12/9/11 Sebrina Walker attended the Meet Your Local and State Law Makers: in attendance were various stakeholders throughout Duval and Clay Counties and two representatives of the State Legislatures. Each stated holder spoke about their specific agency and services provided. The legislative representatives introduced themselves and what their focus will be during this upcoming legislative session. The goal was to allow the legislative representative and law makers to learn about the various stakeholder and services being provided in hopes of promoting continuous funding for the various agencies.

Upcoming Events:

- Teen Court Mock Trial- February 24, 2012
- Circuit 4 Board Meeting March 9, 2012
- Northeast Florida Camp Cadet- June 17, 2012

The next CCJJC meeting will take place on February 13, 2012 at 3:00.

The meeting was adjourned by Angela Kitchens.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sebrina Walker - CCJJC Secretary