



JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL (JCPC)
ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE (ACC)

Full Board Meeting
June 17, 2008

ROLL CALL

<u>JCPC Voting Body</u>	<u>CC Voting Body</u>	<u>Other Attendees</u>
<p>PRESENT Alexa Jordan Dwayne Harden Jordan Morris Kelley Kimrey Steve VanPelt Jamie Hamlett John Cox Edward Grady Gary Ander Steve Fishel Jennie Matkins Joyce Graves-Hinton Algene Tarpley Joe Minnis</p> <p>ABSENT Brad Allen Joy Capps (Absent With Notice) Parker Cole (Absent With Notice) Josh Cox Brett Currie (Absent With Notice) Sheriff Terry Johnson Tyra Ross (Absent Notice) Crystal Sharpe (Absent With Notice) Granville Simmons (Absent With Notice) Paul Soderberg Commissioner Tim Sutton Connie Windham (Absent With Notice)</p>	<p>PRESENT Amanda Marvin Fran Harvey Edward Grady Gary Ander Sherry Loman</p> <p>ABSENT Rose Carpenter (Absent With Notice) Joy Holland (Absent With Notice) Lucy Kernodle (Absent With Notice) Nicky Melton Emily Millikan Nikki Triplett</p>	<p>Amanda Farris Lisa Dodson Sherri Henderson Eric Thompson Cindy Holmes Brian Matlock Cynthia Phifer Kevin Daniels Ann Hancock Chad Laws Janet Riley-Wright Marlon Caple</p>

SURVEY

Members attending today completed the *System of Care Needs Assessment Survey* at the beginning of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Ander called the meeting to order and extended a welcome to all board members and guests.

Approval of the May Minutes:

Minutes from the May 2008 meeting were distributed earlier electronically for review. **ACTION:** *Motion to approve the minutes as written was made, seconded and motion carried.*

The Board was informed by the following committee reports:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The Executive Committee met last week. Assignment of members to the monitoring list was deferred until the July meeting. Chairman Ander noted active participation in programs would assist with overall education regarding JCPC funded programs throughout the next fiscal year

The JCPC will need a replacement for Alexa Jordan, Co-Chair, as she is now employed full-time with Dispute Settlement and Youth Services. In August, the JCPC will entertain nominations for Vice-Chair. Hopefully this individual would move into the Chair role in 2009. Chairman Ander noted serving in a leadership role to be a way to give back to the community.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE: John Cox

No report needed.

Funding Committee: Algene Tarpley & Joyce Graves-Hinton

Algene Tarpley noted JCPC funding has been passed by the House, and is awaiting Senate approval.

Local Funding Relative to non-UCR:

Dwayne Harden reported preliminary priorities for non-ucr funds have been identified. Flexible funding that might be utilized at Care Review for special considerations has been identified as a need. More information is forthcoming.

Monitoring Committee: Connie Windham

Ms. Windham is on vacation; however monitoring is complete for the current fiscal year. Areas still needing volunteers to sign up for monitoring for the next fiscal year include:

1. Lead person for DS & YS and 2 others to help monitor that program.
 - a. **ACTION:** *Steve Fishel volunteered to serve as Lead Monitor/Liaison for Dispute Settlement & Youth Services programs.*
 - b. *Brain Matlock volunteered to serve as a Review Team Participant for this agency.*
2. A Lead person is needed for Psychological Services.

Family Involvement Committee: Ann Hancock & Sherry Loman

Sherry Loman noted Parent Partners shared responsibilities for manning the booth at the recent Resources Fair. Parent Partners sponsored a sign-up for interested parents and a gift drawing. The group is in the process of contacting individuals. The group is also looking into how to arrange and deal with childcare. Parent Partners will not meet the month of July, due to vacations but will resume monthly meetings the second Monday in August.

Parent Partners is a group of parents that have been involved with child-serving systems and hope to increase the voice of parents in the community. These parents are trained to serve on boards, committees, participate in System of Care Trainings and will eventually work as mentors. Eligible parents are those who have transitioned out of your system and you feel they have something to give back to the community. Contact Sherry Loman with details.

The Family Involvement Committee will meet on July 3, 2008 from 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. at Triumph.

Membership Committee/Family Involvement: Lisa Dodson

Three applications for JCPC Board have been completed and are ready for submission to the Commissioners for approval: Joe Minnis, Faith Community, Paul Soderberg, DA Representative and Jordan Morris, United Way/Non-Profit. Ms. Dodson noted the term of one individual currently serving on the Board is up for renewal and that she will be talking with that individual to determine their interest in remaining on the Board.

Ms. Dodson noted the wording in the Statute states “Not more than 26 members will serve on the board and should include, **if possible**, the following”. Ms. Dodson questioned are we really out of compliance if we cannot get a police chief to serve on the Board? *Action: Chairman Ander noted he has contacted Chief Mike Williams regarding speaking at the Alamance County Law Enforcement meeting and will propose that Chiefs rotate on an annual basis.*

It is noted that JCPC needs a Commissioner attending meetings on a regular basis. *Action: Chairman Ander will make a written request to the Commissioners.*

Needs Assessment: Crystal Sharpe

Dwayne Harden noted the Needs Assessment has been completed and submitted to the Raleigh office.

Publicity/Special Events/Training: Amanda Farris

JCPC funded programs are continuing to advertise through newspaper and newsletter articles. Chairman Ander wrote a letter to the newspaper; however the letter has not been published as yet.

In May new members of the Community Collaborative and the JCPC attended a new member orientation.

Planning for the Fall Strategic Planning is currently underway. Once details are confirmed, a save the day will be mailed to participants.

No System of Care Trainings are currently scheduled however System of Care Overview and CFT/Care Review/Family Involvement modules will be offered in the fall in addition to Agency Protocols Training.

The Training Committee is pursuing cross-agency training/networking to begin also in the fall. This would be a meeting of school social workers, nurses, counselors, DJJDP staff, DSS social work staff, private provider therapists, etc. that would be a time set aside for networking – announcements.

JCPC monitoring will begin in September. Training for monitors will be set to prepare for this task.

School/Community Liaison Committee: Tyra Ross

Tyra Ross is absent. Steve VanPelt noted this committee has not met.

Faith Based initiative - Chris Stone

Fran Harvey noted this Committee met yesterday to evaluate how the first training went and to determine ways to find new volunteers and establish direct contact. The Faith Based flyer will be distributed with the July SOC It To Me Newsletter. The Faith Web is a dynamic piece to the success of System of Care in Alamance County.

CFT/Care Review Committee: Janis Buambarger

Chairman Ander noted that Janis Baumbarger met with the Children's Executive Oversight Committee last month sharing the number of care reviews since January and the outcome of those. Ms. Baumbarger will make follow-up report to the Children's Executive Oversight Committee in next few months, talking about the gaps of services in Alamance County. If we could fill in some of those gaps we can possibly keep kids in the community.

PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS:

Found In Him - Eric Thompson

This program is starting its third year and is still meeting at Christian Adventurers. A dozen kids began the year, with many completing their probation and leaving 7 youth currently involved. This program was devised to work with Hispanic youth; however the first African American youth participated about a month ago

Financial Revisions have been submitted for 06-07 and 07-08.

Recidivism rate has been 0-6-8% over the last four-five months. Four kids currently participating are not involved with the court/law enforcement. It appears that gang activity has slowed down some.

Algene Tarpley asked if services could be increased, as gang intervention/prevention is a priority need in Alamance. Mr. Thompson noted studies show that working with large numbers in gang affiliated programs is not the most effective. Services could be increased by adding additional nights or by beginning initiatives to work with families.

Mr. Thompson shared answers from a questionnaire he gives kids when they come into the program. Reasons why they would join a gang included:

- Status
- Respect
- Identify Protection
- Power

Reasons why they would get out of gangs included:

- Jail
- Prison Time

- Parental Punishment
- Fear of shaming their family

GANG GRANT: Granville Simmons

Chairman Ander noted that at this juncture it seems likely that Alamance will receive funds through the Governor's Crime Commission for two years. Burlington Housing Authority is the recipient and their proposal notes that they will be providing intervention/prevention activities, some through contracts with other programs. Alamance will need to develop capacity to serve these kids working closely with the newly formed law enforcement gang task force, the school system, Child & Family Support Teams, SRO's in identifying kids and providing direct services to them with a link to their families.

DS & YS

Program Manager Lisa Dodson noted all programs are running on track to meet programs goals. Alexa Jordan joined the agency replacing Tammy Minnis. Ms. Jordan has been providing CFT facilitation at neutral locations, a helpful service for all. Stats specified serving 50 kids; however over 135 have been served.

Resolve just completed their 12-week program. To offer timely services, Resolve will go back to a 6-week format. Teen Court remains on track and will be meeting tonight.

The Work Restitution component has the largest recidivism rating; what would be expected. Marsha Kmiec works diligently to match kids with tasks that would spark an interest with them.

The Intensive Mentoring Grant has been renewed and will work with about 15 kids.

A Volunteer Banquet is set for the first Tuesday night in August. Dispute Settlement & Youth Services celebrates 25 years of service this year.

SCHOOL BASED CFST: Lucy Kernodle

No update. Ms. Kernodle is on vacation.

Cindy Holmes - Regional DJJDP Consultant:

Ms. Holmes encouraged all to make contact with Legislative representatives as people's voices have been heard.

DJJDP is undergoing an audit/evaluation with only five areas looked into for suggestions/recommendations. Once this report is delivered to the Department, they will have 15 working days to respond in writing

Any JCPC expansion monies would be based upon populations. Encourage your Senator to allow for these expansion funds and advocate for more expansion over time.

Announcements:

Algene Tarpley won the grill through the Graham PD that Crystal Sharpe was selling for Special Olympics.

State System of Care Conference will be held December 3-4, 2008 in Wilmington, NC.

Brain Matlock noted Wilderness Camp has had several recent successful completions.

NEXT MEETING

Chairman Ander noted the plan is to not have a formal JCPC/CC meeting in July; however, the meeting time will be used to hear a special presentation on a Gang Program from Mecklenburg County. All JCPC/CC members are encouraged to attend. Law Enforcement will also be invited.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ward, SOC Logistics