

***Meeting Minutes***  
***Executive Committee Conference Call***  
***South Dakota Council of Juvenile Services (CJS)***  
***August 2, 2017***

**CJS Executive Committee Members:** Betty Oldenkamp, Chair and CEO of Lutheran Social Services; Beth O'Toole, Vice-Chair and Professor at the University of Sioux Falls; Judge Steven Jensen, First Judicial Circuit Presiding Judge; Aaron McGowan, Minnehaha County States Attorney; and Carol Twedt, Former Minnehaha County Commissioner.

**Executive Committee Members Present:** Chair Betty Oldenkamp, Vice-Chair Beth O'Toole, Judge Steven Jensen, Aaron McGowan, and Carol Twedt.

**Executive Committee Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Bridget Coppersmith, Heather Van Hunnik, and Kaycee Cronin, South Dakota Department of Corrections (DOC).

**1. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Bridget Coppersmith provided an overview of the agenda items requiring action and asked for the disclosure of any conflicts of interest. Chair Betty Oldenkamp disclosed her conflict of interest with the Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Juvenile Justice Application due to her position with Lutheran Social Services.

**2. WELCOME**

Chair Oldenkamp called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM on Wednesday, August 02, 2017 and welcomed everyone to the call.

**3. DOC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING**

Coppersmith discussed the Delinquency Prevention Application from the Dell Rapids School District. Coppersmith explained that the Dell Rapids School District requested an extension for their application due date to ensure that staff at the elementary school were in agreement with submitting an application. The application, for the amount of \$27,753, outlined the school district's plan to implement the evidence based program Positive Action in the elementary school through the purchase of curriculum and use of a part time counselor. Coppersmith explained that the school district had a low score for the pre-award risk assessment and the DOC recommended approval of the application.

Discussion ensued regarding the content of the application, the number of youth to be served, and the implementation timeline of the application.

***Judge Steven Jensen moved to approve the Dell Rapids School District Delinquency Prevention Application. Carol Twedt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

At 8:10 AM, Chair Oldenkamp turned the meeting over to Vice-Chair Beth O'Toole to preside over the Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Juvenile Justice Application.

Heather Van Hunnik provided an overview of Minnehaha County's Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Juvenile Justice Application through Lutheran Social Services. Van Hunnik explained that the application was for costs associated with attending the Certificate Program at Georgetown University through the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform if Minnehaha County is selected to attend after submitting an application to the certificate program. The requested amount of \$24,375 would go toward trip expenses such as tuition, travel, lodging, and per diem for food for up to five participants. The DOC recommended the Executive Committee approve the application for up to \$25,000 for actual costs in case travel expenses fluctuate from the proposed amount. Van Hunnik noted that the applicant's pre-award risk assessment had scored low and that the DOC was in approval of the application.

Aaron McGowan stated that he would abstain from the vote because of his employment with Minnehaha County.

***Carol Twedt moved to approve the Minnehaha County/Lutheran Social Services application. Judge Steven Jensen seconded. Motion carried unanimously with Betty Oldenkamp and Aaron McGowan abstaining from all discussion and action.***

At 8:12 AM, Vice-Chair O'Toole turned the meeting back to Chair Oldenkamp.

#### 4. WRAP-UP AND ADJOURN

Coppersmith stated that all action from the Executive Committee Meeting will go before the full Council for ratification at their September Meeting.

***At 8:15 AM, Aaron McGowan moved to adjourn the Executive Committee Meeting. Judge Steven Jensen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

*Recorded by Bridget Coppersmith  
Juvenile Justice Specialist*