

Meeting Minutes - Draft
Executive Committee Conference Call
South Dakota Council of Juvenile Services (CJS)
February 6, 2018

CJS Executive Committee Members: Beth O’Toole, Chair and Professor at the University of Sioux Falls; Sara McGregor-Okroi, Vice-Chair and Director of Aliive Roberts County; Judge Tami Bern, Circuit Court Judge in the First Circuit; Charles Frieberg, Director of Court Services; and Betty Oldenkamp, CEO of Lutheran Social Services.

Executive Committee Members Present: Chair Beth O’Toole, Vice-Chair Sara McGregor-Okroi, Judge Tami Bern, Charles Frieberg, and Betty Oldenkamp.

Executive Committee Members Absent: None

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

1. WELCOME

Chair Beth O’Toole called the meeting to order at 3:33 PM on Tuesday, February 06, 2018 and welcomed everyone to the call.

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Bridget Coppersmith asked if any Council Members had conflicts of interest with the proposed agenda to disclose. No conflicts were disclosed.

3. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL OF JUVENILE SERVICES PROBLEM STATEMENTS

Coppersmith reviewed the Council of Juvenile Services Problem Statements and suggested changes from the December Council Meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the statements and the recommended changes of:

Removing “Disproportionate Minority Contact” from the statement “Disproportionate Minority Contact – Minority youth are over-represented at most stages of South Dakota’s juvenile justice system.”

Removing “thus compromising due process and outcomes” from the statement “The Native American Tribal juvenile justice systems have a critical lack of basic resources to address the needs of youth coming before the Tribal courts, thus compromising due process and outcomes.”

Amending the statement “While local substance abuse and suicide prevention programming exists, there is no system of delinquency prevention programming in South Dakota. Prevention programming, specifically in a school setting, is needed to address the increasing number of delinquent arrests” to read “There is no coordinated statewide delinquency prevention programming in South Dakota. Prevention programming, specifically in a school setting, is needed to address arrests for delinquent acts.”

Amending the statement “South Dakota’s high incarceration rate of detention per capita demonstrates a need to support juvenile justice reform activities. There is a need to support expansion of diversion programming and performance measurement associated with the State’s juvenile justice reform initiative” to read “ South Dakota’s incarceration rate of detention per capita demonstrates a continuing need to support juvenile justice reform activities. There is a need to sustain and enhance diversion programming, performance measurement, and incarceration alternatives.”

Charles Frieberg moved to approve the Council of Juvenile Services Problem Statements as amended. Sara McGregor-Okroi seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council of Juvenile Services Problem Statements, as approved by the Executive Committee, are included as an attachment.

4. WRAP-UP AND ADJOURN

At 3:43 PM, Judge Tami Bern moved to adjourn the Executive Committee Meeting. Betty Oldenkamp seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

*Recorded by Bridget Coppersmith
Juvenile Justice Specialist*

Problem Statements – Approved by CJS Executive Committee 2/6/18

The Council identified the following problems, in order of priority, to be addressed through formula grant funds and activities during the period covered by this program plan (2018-2020):

- **Monitoring and maintaining compliance with deinstitutionalization of status offenders, jail removal, and sight and sound separation requirements of the Act, as amended, is critical for continued juvenile justice system improvement.**
 - Supporting qualitative information is located in the section “Analysis of Juvenile Crime Problems and Juvenile Justice Needs” of this comprehensive 3-Year Plan and the section “Plan for Compliance With the First Three Core Requirements of the JJDP Act and the State’s Compliance Monitoring Plan” which is submitted separately from this comprehensive 3-Year Plan to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.
 - Associated with the program purpose areas of Compliance Monitoring, Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders, Jail Removal, and Separation.
- **Minority youth are over-represented at most stages of South Dakota’s juvenile justice system.**
 - Supporting qualitative information is located in the section “Analysis of Juvenile Crime Problems and Juvenile Justice Needs” of this comprehensive 3-Year Plan and in the section “Plan for Compliance with the Disproportionate Minority Contact Core Requirement” which is submitted separately from this comprehensive 3-Year Plan to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.
 - Associated with the Disproportionate Minority Contact program purpose area.
- **The Native American Tribal juvenile justice systems have a critical lack of basic resources to address the needs of youth coming before the Tribal courts.**
 - Supporting qualitative information is located in the section “Analysis of Juvenile Crime Problems and Juvenile Justice Needs” of this comprehensive 3-Year Plan.
 - Associated with Indian Tribal Programs program purpose area and Native American Pass-Through dollars.
- **There is no coordinated statewide delinquency prevention programming in South Dakota. Prevention programming, specifically in a school setting, is needed to address arrests for delinquent acts.**
 - Supporting qualitative information is located in the section “Analysis of Juvenile Crime Problems and Juvenile Justice Needs” of this comprehensive 3-Year Plan.
 - Associated with the program area of Delinquency Prevention.

- **South Dakota’s incarceration rate of detention per capita demonstrates a continuing need to support juvenile justice reform activities. There is a need to sustain and enhance diversion programming, performance measurement, and incarceration alternatives.**
 - Supporting qualitative information is located in the sections “Analysis of Juvenile Crime Problems and Juvenile Justice Needs” and “Coordination of State Efforts” of this comprehensive 3-Year Plan.
 - Associated with the program area of Juvenile Justice System Improvement.