

***Meeting Minutes***  
***South Dakota Council of Juvenile Services***

***June 29, 2022***

***Teams Video Conference***

Wednesday, June 29, 2022

**Council of Juvenile Services Members Present:** Beth O’Toole, Chair and Professor at the University of Sioux Falls; Judge Tami Bern, First Judicial Circuit Judge; Mason Best, Youth Member; Melanie Boetel, Department of Social Services; Kim Cournoyer, Service Provider; Chuck Frieberg, Director of Court Services; Daniel Haggar, Minnehaha County States Attorney; Cindy Heiberger, Minnehaha County Commissioner; Sheriff Brad Howell, Codington County Sheriff; Jen Johnson, Southeastern Directions for Life JJRI Coordinator; Angela Lisburg, Avera St. Mary’s Central South Dakota Child Assessment Center; Dave McNeil, Aberdeen Police Department Chief, and Skylir Skipper, Youth Member.

**Council of Juvenile Services Members Absent:** Sara McGregor-Okroi, Vice-Chair and Director of Allive-Roberts County; Dadra Avery, School Counselor at Sturgis Brown High School; Pat Bad Hand, Rosebud Sioux Tribe Juvenile Detention Center Administrator; Kristi Bunkers, Director of Juvenile Services; Cassidy Frederick, Youth Member; Doug Hermann, Executive Director of The Club for Boys; and Tierney Scoblic, Youth Member.

**Others Present:** Bridget Coppersmith, Nicole Gednalske, John Stewart, and Brittini Skipper, South Dakota Department of Corrections (DOC); Annie Brokenleg, Unified Judicial System; Kelsi Vinger, Brown County, Louis Canfield, Boys & Girls Club of Watertown; and Allison Morrisette, Pennington County.

**1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND AGENDA REVIEW**

Chair Beth O’Toole welcomed everyone to the meeting at 1:02 PM on June 29, 2022, and introductions were made. Bridget Coppersmith took role call and asked for others present to identify themselves to be included in the meeting minutes. Quorum was validated by Coppersmith at this time.

**2. PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair O’Toole asked if there were any public comments to be brought before the Council at the meeting. After confirmation that no one had comments to share, Chair O’Toole proceeded with the meeting agenda and ended the period for public comment.

### 3. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Coppersmith reviewed the funding decisions coming before the Council from Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Court, Oglala Lakota Housing Authority, Wolves Youth Development Center, and Brown, Brookings, Codington, Davison, Hughes, and Yankton Counties.

The following conflicts of interest were disclosed:

**Chuck Frieberg** – Brookings County; Brown County; Codington County; Davison County; Hughes County; Yankton County

**Brad Howell** – Codington County

**Dave McNeil** – Brown County

**Kim Cournoyer** – Brown County; Codington County; Davison County

### 4. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2021 CJS MEETING MINUTES

Chair O'Toole provided an overview of the December 2021 Meeting Minutes.

**Daniel Haggar moved to approve the December 2021 meeting minutes; Jen Johnson seconded.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### 5. STATUS REPORT

**Budget and Subgrants:** Coppersmith reported that the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018 Award was fully expended except for \$32,530.99 which is designated for Native American Pass-Through awards. The award needs to be closed out prior to its end date of September 30, 2022. Coppersmith stated that funds were being drawn down from the FFY 2019 award and that a scope amendment to reallocate funding within current program areas to be more consistent with covering funded awards would be submitted to OJJDP for consideration.

**Compliance:** Nicole Gednalske explained that from October 2021 through March 2022, 749 records had been submitted and cleared and there were no potential violations found. Gednalske noted that under JJDP states are required to visit all facilities in which adult or juvenile offenders could be held within a 3-year period. DOC staff aim to visit about one-third of our state's facilities per year.

**OJJDP Update:** Coppersmith provided an overview of the new requirements concerning state compliance monitoring manuals which has delayed 2021 awards. Coppersmith explained that the department followed the process outlined by OJJDP and is expecting notice of their award in the coming weeks. Coppersmith announced that Liz Ryan had been appointed to be the Administrator of OJJDP effective May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### 6. FY 2022 3-YEAR PLAN

Coppersmith explained that the 2022 3-Year Plan solicitation is due July 19<sup>th</sup> which is late compared to past solicitations. Included in the application will be South Dakota's State Plan, Compliance Monitoring Data Certification, and Racial and Ethnic Disparities Core Requirement Plan. Coppersmith added that recent

discussions with OJJDP have suggested the minimum award amount may go back up to \$600,000 rather than the \$400,000 awards states, including South Dakota, have been receiving in recent years.

Coppersmith explained that the application is an update to last year's application and will need to be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee prior to submission and will be on the agenda for ratification at the next meeting.

#### 7. STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023 SUBGRANT APPLICATIONS

Bridget Coppersmith presented application overviews on behalf subgrant applicants for the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023 funding period. Coppersmith explained that Brown, Codington, and Davison Counties were applying to pilot court resource homes in their counties following their three years of funding related to Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) and diversion services in their counties. Brookings County was applying for their third year, Yankton County was applying for their second year, and Hughes/Stanley Counties were applying for their first of funding to support similar JDAI and diversion initiatives. Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Court, Oglala Lakota Housing Authority, and the Wolves Youth Development Center applied for services tied to Native American Programs.

Discussion ensued concerning successes of applicants who have been previously funded and the impact they are having on youth in the state.

#### 8. DOC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING SFY 2023 SUBGRANT APPLICATIONS:

DOC staff recommended funding the three applications for Alternatives to Detention based on previous performance and services outlined in the applications.

***Cindy Heiberger moved to approve the Brookings County, Yankton County, and Hughes/Stanley Counties applications as written, Daniel Haggar seconded. Motion carried unanimously with Chuck Frieberg abstaining from discussion and action.***

DOC staff recommended funding the three applications for Court Resource Homes based on previous performance and services outlined in the applications.

***Cindy Heiberger moved to approve the Brown County application as written, Jen Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously with Kim Cournoyer, Chuck Frieberg, and Dave McNeil abstaining from discussion and action.***

***Daniel Haggar moved to approve the Codington County application as written, Jen Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously with Kim Cournoyer, Chuck Frieberg, and Sheriff Brad Howell abstaining from discussion and action.***

***Sheriff Brad Howell moved to approve the Davison County application as written, Cindy Heiberger seconded. Motion carried unanimously with Kim Cournoyer and Chuck Frieberg abstaining from discussion and action.***

DOC staff recommended funding the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Court application based on previous performance and services outlined in the application.

***Chuck Frieberg moved to approve the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Court application as written, Jen Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

DOC staff recommended funding the Oglala Lakota Housing Authority application but expressed concern with the amount of the award as the applicant is a new applicant under the Formula Grants Program. Discussion ensued regarding the fact that the application is for two positions over a large geographical area and that performance reports could be reviewed by the Council to ensure the applicant is moving forward as expected.

***Charles Frieberg moved to approve the Oglala Lakota Housing Authority application as written contingent on submission of the application signature page and submission of quarterly programmatic and financial reports to the Council, Jen Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

DOC staff recommended not funding the Wolves Youth Development Center application as written due to the requested equipment not being supported under the subgrant program. Staff recommended giving the applicant two weeks to submit a new application for allowable costs.

***Judge Bern moved to return the Wolves Youth Development Center application for resubmission in two weeks or be reconsidered with allowable expenditures next year., Daniel Hagggar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

## 9. JUVENILE JUSTICE UPDATES

Coppersmith explained that an administrative reorganization occurred at the DOC and that she would continue to serve as the state's Juvenile Justice Specialist while performing the duties of the Associate Director of Planning and Analysis.

Annie Brokenleg explained that the JDAI Statewide Committee plans to meet on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Chamberlain and that a juvenile justice conference will be hosted by Nebraska September 15<sup>th</sup> in Kearney Nebraska. The conference will be similar to the conference hosted in Rapid City last year.

Kim Cournoyer explained that a Positive Indian Parenting Class training will be held in Pierre July 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> which is free to attendees.

Melanie Boetel stated that there will be a Suicide Prevention Conference in Sioux Falls August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Charles Frieberg added that he, along with Coppersmith, Brokenleg, Gednalske, and Kristi Bunkers attended the Coalition for Juvenile Justice's (CJJ) National Conference in May where he, Coppersmith, and Brokenleg presented a workshop highlighting successes in South Dakota. The next CJJ Conference will be in November.

Daniel Haggard explained that the Minnehaha County Commission was meeting to discuss support for their juvenile diversion coordinator following the end of their subaward in September.

Frieberg stated that the next meeting regarding dual status youth would take place on July 11<sup>th</sup> in Oacoma.

#### 10. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN

The next meeting is scheduled for September 2022 with the exact date and location to be determined.

***At 2:31 PM, Chuck Frieberg moved to adjourn, Jen Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

*Recorded by Bridget Coppersmith, Juvenile Justice Specialist*