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Board of Juvenile Justice

MINUTES
Board of Juvenile Justice Meeting
Fairfax Juvenile Detention Center
10650 Page Avenue
Fairfax, Virginia

September 8, 2010

Board Members Present: Barbara Myers, Heidi Abbott, Ken Stolle, Justin Wilson

DJJ Staff Present: Helivi Holland, Sam Abed, Mark Gooch, Janet Van Cuyk, Ken Bailey, Ed Holmes, Marilyn Miller, Vernon Harry, Joy Lugar, Mike Lazzuri, and Deborah Hayes

Others Present: Bill Muse-OAG, George R. Corbin-Fairfax County Juvenile Detention, Barbara Wyatt, Angela Marker, Karen Fletcher-Loudoun Co. Youth Shelter, D. Joe Campbell-Chesterfield Detention Home, Michelle Smith-Loudoun Co. Juvenile Detention Center, Bob Bermingham-Fairfax Co CSU, Dennis Fee-Fairfax Residential Services, Carlos Hooker-Westhaven Boys' Home, Linda Filippi-Tidewater Youth Services Commission, Eileen Grey-VA CURE.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Myers called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Myers welcomed everyone and asked the individuals present to introduce themselves. After the introductions, Chairperson Myers asked Mr. George Corbin— Superintendent, Fairfax Juvenile Detention Center—to welcome everyone. Mr. Corbin thanked the Board for opportunity to host them. He said staff will provide two tours and lunch.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Wilson, and seconded by Ms. Abbott, the Board approved the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL of June 9, 2010 MINUTES

The minutes of the June 9, 2010 Board meeting were presented for approval. On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Wilson, the minutes were approved as submitted. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Eileen Grey stated that she is a volunteer with VA CURE and is a member of the Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice. She said she is pleased with the focus on juvenile

re-entry. Ms. Grey would like more input from juveniles. She feels that their comments are needed to address their concerns, going home, returning to school and employment needs.

Director Holland stated that a male and female resident were a part of the strategic planning workshop. The residents were very articulate and forthcoming. She said that DJJ fully intends to keep the juveniles involved in this process. She also advised that FAVY attended the strategic planning process at the review committee level.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Secure Services Committee

1. Certifications

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Abbott to certify Chesterfield Juvenile Detention Home and Post-dispositional Program for three years. Motion carried.

B. Non-Secure Services Committee

1. Certifications

11th District Court Service Unit: On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Wilson to certify the 11th District Court Service Unit for three years with a letter of congratulations for 100% compliance. Motion carried.

16th District Court Service Unit: On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Wilson to certify the 16th District Court Service Unit for three years. Motion carried.

Abraxas House: Mr. Bailey presented the Certification Audit report for Abraxas House. Abraxas House has five non-mandatory and five mandatory deficiencies. Ms. Tanya Peduto-Halfway House Director-was unable to attend the board meeting. Mr. Lazzuri stated that Ms. Peduto takes full responsibility for the issues at Abraxas House. Policies have been written to address the deficiencies. There is a change in management, they are hiring a new assistant director and they have scheduled training. After considerable discussion between DJJ staff and Board members and among Board members regarding the deficiencies, the corrective action plan, and the certification actions available to the Board, Board members agreed on the certification as noted below. Mr. Stolle said he would go on record as voting against the certification.

On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Wilson to certify Abraxas House for three years with a status report at the November 2010 Board meeting on compliance with corrective action plan. Motion carried. Mr. Stolle voted no.

Chaplin Youth Center West: Mr. Bailey provided updated information regarding the auditing of Chaplin Youth Center West. The purpose of audit was to review physical plant standards and emergency procedures for the new facility. These areas were assessed to determine if the facility was suitable to provide a residential program for youth. The program will use the same policies and procedures that are currently in place at Chaplin Youth Center. Chaplin Youth Center West had two non-mandatory deficiencies in their certification audit.

On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Stolle that pursuant to Certification Regulation 6VAC 35-20-100E, issue a Conditional Certification to

Chaplin Youth Center West until April 2011 and establish the capacity at six. Motion carried.

Community Attention Group Home: On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Stolle to certify Community Attention Group Home for three years.

Fairfax Juvenile Court Shelter II: On MOTION duly made by Ms. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Stolle to approve the name "Fairfax Juvenile Court Shelter Care II" with an approved capacity of 12. Certification is to remain effective until May 9, 2013.

2. Issues

Loudoun Youth Shelter Status Report: At the September 2009 Board meeting, Loudoun Youth Shelter was certified for three years with a status report due in September 2010 if the cited deficiencies have not been corrected. The report reviewed at that time documented seven deficiencies with four of those mandatory standards. Reviews were conducted at the facility on November 9, 2009 and July 21, 2010. Two of the seven areas have not been corrected. Both of which are mandatory. The Board, Mr. Bailey and the facility administrator discussed the status and corrective action plans.

Westhaven Boys' Home:

On June 9, 2010, the Board of Juvenile Justice requested that a status report be presented at the September 8, 2010 Board meeting on the nine deficiencies noted in the report from the February 8 & 11, 2010 certification audits. Five of the deficiencies were mandatory standards. During the review of July 15, 2010, the findings revealed that there were no continued areas of non-compliance.

3. VJCCCA Plans

On MOTION duly made by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Stolle to approve the Accomack-Northampton Counties combined VJCCCA Plan for FY2011-2012. Motion carried.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Regulatory Update

Ms. Van Cuyk reviewed the regulatory information that was included in the Board packet. Board members agreed to have a lunch time discussion after the November board meeting regarding certification actions for the proposed regulations. Ms. Van Cuyk also discussed the need for the Board to review its bylaws. The Board agreed to begin the review at its November meeting.

VIII. Director's Comments

Director Holland shared the following information:

- Youth Industries plant sale will be held September 9 at the Monroe Building.
- Female residents from Bon Air JCC are participating in work and education release program (WERP); they are working outside the Bon Air Complex.
- Cal Ripken's Foundation "Badges for Baseball" will pilot a mentoring program with Hanover JCC; law enforcement officers will be the mentors; November 9 is the official kick-off for "Badges for Baseball". Sheriffs will provide transportation.
- FamilyLink kicked off on September 5 at Culpeper JCC. Three families visited with residents via video.

- Comments from Mr. Gooch: happy to be here and a part of DJJ. The individuals he has met so far are the best he's met in his professional career. Mr. Gooch said he has spent most of his career in adult corrections.

IX. Board Comments

- Comments from newest board member: Sheriff Stolle stated that he served on the Senate for 18 years and now he is the sheriff in VA Beach. He said he appreciates the work that DJJ does. He stated that he is a stickler for details. Sheriff Stolle said he is excited about his appointment to the Board and hopes that he can help the juveniles redirect their focus.
- Chairperson Myers welcomed Sheriff Stolle to the board.

- **Election of Officers:** Ms. Abbott nominated Mr. Dhillon as secretary to the Board of Juvenile Justice. Mr. Wilson seconded the nomination. Mr. Wilson moved to close the nomination. Motion carried. Mr. Dhillon will remain as secretary to the Board.

Mr. Wilson nominated Ms. Abbott as vice chair to the Board of Juvenile Justice. Sheriff Stolle seconded the nomination. Sheriff Stolle moved that the nominations be closed. Motion carried. Ms. Abbott is vice chair to the Board.

Mr. Wilson nominated Ms. Myers as chairperson to the Board of Juvenile Justice. Sheriff Stolle seconded the nomination. Sheriff Stolle moved that the nominations be closed. Motion carried. Ms. Myers will remain as chairperson to the Board.

- Chairperson Myers asked for a moment of silence for Mario Rivadeneira, the son of Board member Aida Pacheco.

XI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at the Department of Juvenile Justice Central Office—board room.

XI. ADJOURN

Having no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Canada Hayes
DJJ Board Secretary