



Juvenile Jurisdiction Advisory Committee
3010 Hammond Business Place
Raleigh, NC 27603

Monday, January 6, 2020

Committee Members:

Co-Chair Bill Davis, Co-Chair Garry Frank, Betty Budd, Ruby Brown-Herring, Tarrah Callahan, Darren Campbell, J.H. Corpening II, Beth Freshwater-Smith, Michelle Hall, Krista Hiatt, Jennifer Knox, William Lassiter, Jeffrey Ledford, Kym Martin, Martin McGee, Carol McManus, Robert Rader, Mary Stansell, Heather Taraska, McKinley Wooten, Eric Zogry.

Guests:

Catherine Anderson, Melissa Boughton, Mathew Boyatt, Venecia Carr, Julianna Cherry, Bonnie Clark, Justin Davis, Dale Floyd, Tawanda Foster, Brad Fowler, Jacqui Greene, Annie Harvey, Daniel Hill, Bryon Howard, Megan Howell, , Adam Johnson, Diana Kees, Peter Kuhns, Rachel Larsen, John Madler, Traci Marchand, Phil Maychek, Megan McDeavitt, Emily Mehta, , April Parker, Cindy Porterfield, LaToya Powell, Kimberly Quintus, Lucero Sandoval, Monica Shabo, Jennifer Short, Gary Skinner, Jim Speight, Mildred Spearman.

Call to Order: 10:11 AM

- Bill Davis: Welcome and opening remarks
- Review of minutes from the November 4, 2019 meeting. Motion to approve minutes accepted, seconded, all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Preliminary Data Review

Megan Perrault, Juvenile Justice Data Manager

- Shared and explained two Sisense dashboards tracking Raise the Age populations (at intake and detention admissions)
- Reviewed projections development and compared actual data from December 2019
 - Complaints received and distinct juveniles lower than projected
 - Class A-G juveniles received higher than projected. Class H-3 received lower than projected.
 - Most common detention reason: "Charged with a felony and has demonstrated that the juvenile is a danger to property or persons"
- Discussion of data confidentiality and potential public or email listserv access to data.
- Answered questions from the committee:
 - Expect more serious complaints filed first and additional complaints and data related to December offenses should be received as January progresses.
 - Data source is NC-JOIN. Dashboard training is being provided to Chief Court Counselors.
 - JJBH may find the data important to their work on the local level.

Juvenile Age Report

William Lassiter, Deputy Secretary for Juvenile Justice

- Shared draft report. Due date is January 15th and an additional interim report is planned for May 2020.
- Discussed limits of Raise the Age data currently and expectations for numbers in May, which would allow for any needed funding recommendations.
- Discussion of subcommittee work, and that their recommendations will be included in the May report.
- Committee members suggested changes:
 - Mary Stansell: requested more precise language in two places

- Robert Rader:
 - Projection data, including data as to the number of 16-17 year olds in adult court over the past few FYs, should be factored in when making decisions about court staffing allocations
 - Discussed judgeships justified by Raise the Age. Discussed AOC's work study, workload balance and adjustments if Raise the Age numbers are higher than projected.
- Lassiter, McKinley Wooten, Brad Fowler: discussion on current judicial needs, projection data, mission of committee in terms of Raise the Age impact versus existing deficiencies.
- Ruby Brown-Herring: requested clarification in wording
- Motions to make the following changes were made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motions passed:
 - Pages 7 through 9: Include sentence that reflects further review of additional court system personnel needs resulting from the impact of RtA implementation. *Finalized sentence to be approved by Judge Rader.*
 - Page 12, first full sentence: Correct "A-G felonies are not included under juvenile jurisdiction" to be more specific in that A-Gs for 16-and-17-year-olds originate under juvenile jurisdiction until such time as indictment/PC finding
 - Page 14, second bullet: Correct DHHS Department title
 - Page 18: Delete second bullet as it is covered previously
- Motion to submit the interim report, with corrections and any technical corrections that follow, to the Legislature. Motion seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

New Business

- William Lassiter: Update on transportation team hiring
- Jeffery Ledford: Complimented Jacqui Greene's (UNC-School of Government) law enforcement training
- Judge Jay Corpening: School-justice partnership meetings continue. Had favorable discussion with school board attorneys.

Public Comment

None

Next Steps & Chairs' Direction

- Heather Taraska: Agenda for Legislative Revisions and Legal Issues Subcommittee will be distributed
- Housing Expansion Subcommittee meeting announcement planned

Meeting adjourned 11:07 AM

Next meetings:

JJAC meeting: April 24, 2020 from 10am-2pm at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC. [Postponed to May 15, 2020, e-meeting]

Subcommittees:

1. **Legislative Revisions and Legal Issues Subcommittee** (Heather Taraska, Chair): January 31, 2020 from 10am – 2pm at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC.
2. **Minimum Age Subcommittee** (Judge Jay Corpening, Chair): January 31, 2020 from 2pm – 4pm at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC.
3. **Housing Expansion Subcommittee** (William L. Lassiter, Chair): TBD

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