**Juvenile Jurisdiction Advisory Committee**

3010 Hammond Business Place

Raleigh, NC 27603

**Friday, April 1, 2022**

**Members present:**

Bill D. Davis – Co-Chair, Stella Bailey, J. H. Corpening, II, Beth Freshwater-Smith, Michelle Hall, Lindsey Spain, Krista Hiatt, Jennifer Knox, William L. Lassiter, Jeff Ledford, Carol McManus, Mary C. Wilson, Heather Taraska, Eric Zogry

**Attendees:**

Austine Long, Sean Hamel, Theresa Stanley, Catherine Anderson, Jonell Giulianelli, Keesha White, Burnette Brown, Raquelle Hawkins, Tasha Butts, Peter Kuhns, Carrie Hollis, Duane Cogdell, Bonnie Clark, Jerry Higgins, Kimberly Quintus, Jennifer Short, Diana Kees, Jeffrey Goldsmith, Brittany Schott, Yolanda Fair, Adam Johnson, Pamela Glover, Angie Smith, LaToya Powell, Katherine Thomas, Kyle Smith

**Call to Order: 10:03 AM**

* Bill Davis, Co-Chair, welcome and opening remarks
* Review of minutes from January 4, 2022 full committee meeting. Motion accepted, seconded, all in favor, none abstained, none opposed. Motion passed.

**Juvenile Justice Update**

William L. Lassiter, Deputy Secretary for Juvenile Justice

* The juvenile delinquency rate for 6 to 17-year-olds decreased 3% from 18.08 in 2020 to 17.53 in 2021.
* Juvenile detention average daily population increase from 125 in January 2019 to 284 in December 2021.
* The number of transfers to superior court increased 17% over the past year. If comparing pre-Raise the Age transfers to post-Raise the Age transfers, the number increased from 12 to 341.
* Construction has begun for the Rockingham YDC, the facility is set to open in August of 2023.
* Phase B of renovations at CA Dillion JDC are underway with phase I already completed.
* Renovations are underway for the Perquimans JDC that is scheduled to open in 2023.
* Mecklenburg and Madison detention centers are back open.

**Results First**

Carrie Hollis, OSBM Principal Economic Analyst

Brittany Schott, DPS Community Programs

* Results First helps decisionmakers identify and invest in proven cost-effective programs that can improve outcomes and optimize taxpayer dollars.
* OSBM collaborates with agency partners to assess the effectiveness and return on investment from state-funded social programs.
* Project focus is to offer statewide contract programs targeting adjudicated juveniles with a high-risk of reoffending.
* Results First goal is to disrupt the cycle of recidivism.
* One-page brief is available at <https://www.ncdps.gov/documents/research-briefs-community-programs>.

**Subcommittee Report-Outs- Juvenile Capacity Standards**

Honorable J.H. Corpening, II

Peter Kuhns, Psy.D., JJDP Clinical and Program Services Director

* JJAC is scheduled to terminate on February 1, 2023 – a motion was made and unanimously approved to request a committee extension from the NC General Assembly to Feb 1, 2026.
* The purpose of the Juvenile Capacity Workgroup of the Minimum Age Subcommittee is to integrate the efforts of DHHS and JJDP to determine how the specifics of this capacity standard will be operationalized.
* The subcommittee met three times and discussed the following:
	+ The need for a juvenile specific standard for capacity.
	+ Expanding the definitions of mental illness or defect and forensic screening and forensic evaluation.
	+ The need to set standards and qualifications for forensic screeners and evaluators conducting juvenile specific assessments.
	+ The need for remediation services for children and adolescents found incapable to proceed but have the presumed ability to attain capacity.
	+ Challenges exist determining which public entity should handle operational requirements of the new statute.

**New Business – JJAC Members** – None

**Public Comment** – No public comments received

**Next Steps & Chairs’ Direction**

Mr. Bill D. Davis

* Next meeting: July 27, 2022 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at 3010 Hammond Business Pl, Raleigh, NC. Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

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