

Duplin County JCPC
February 2, 2021
Meeting Minutes (Notes)

I. Call to Order and Invocation

Those present: Dr. Leon Kea, Jasmine Williams, Trishaann Brown, Melissa Reese, Darryl McCaster, Ashley Reiger, George Futrelle, AJ Connors, James Crayton, Lance Turner.

Guests: Juan Jiminez, Diane Herring, Nikita Newkirk, Ciaria Miller, Earlean Rivers, and Joann Chavis, DJJ Supervisor.

George Futrelle called the meeting to order and Rev. Connors offered the invocation.

II. Introductions – Judge Mario White, Ashley Reiger, and Trisha Ann Brown were added as new members as of Feb. 1, 2021.

III. Adoption of minutes – Oct.-Nov. 2020 and January 2021 minutes have been provided; a motion was made by to approve AJ Connors; seconded by James Crayton. Motion carried.

IV. JCPC Funded Program Reports:

- Psychological Services – Juan Jiminez reported: January had one referral from DJJ admission/termination completed.
- Teen Court & Restitution – Ciaria Miller reported: For Teen Court, no new referrals beginning count one and ending count one. Program staff reaching out to community stakeholders to increase referrals; Nikita Newkirk reported: beginning count of 10; added 7 and terminated 3; getting paperwork completed and returned to the office; clients working at the MCEC office as appropriate.
- Building Peace & Mentoring – Diane Herring reported a January referral from an SRO on a 14-17 year old. There was a beginning count of 5 and ending count of 3 year to date. Workshops being held at the office again; limit of two at a time. COVID concerns – reduced referrals. Nikita Newkirk reported: no new referrals for January. Beginning count of 3, ending count 3. Reaching to other community stakeholders for referrals.

- DNA Structured Learning – Earlean Rivers reported: beginning count 3 and ending count 3 with no new referrals. DJJ referrals that have been detained will be kept in the program so they can continue in services.

V. Old Business – RFP posting on the county web-site: <https://www.duplincountync.com/rfp-for-ncdps-jcpc-continuation-funding-fy-2021-2022/#more-2698>

-Grant-writing Workshop, Feb. 10, 2021 – register by email to denise.bond@ncdps.gov

-Monitoring Committee Scheduled – Feb. 9, 2021 at 1:00pm.

VI. New Business – Funding Committee members Jason McGuirt, George, Lance, Darryl and Melissa 23-24 9:00am, to be completed by noon at the latest; will confirm the date once everyone has responded.. The following volunteered to serve; tentative meeting date range Feb. 23 - 25

VII. Other agency updates and announcements DCS Dr. Kea reported a hybrid model for grades 6-12 (50/50) started Monday, Feb. 1 and will continue through March 15. To hopefully bring in K-5 after that. AJ Connors reported that the Health Dept. will be in Warsaw on Feb. 8th for 400 vaccinations must be registered; starts at 10:00am. Ciaria Miller reported for MCEC, a fundraiser raffle. Tickets are \$5 ninja foodie airfry oven, 2nd prize is dinner for two, March 1 is the drawing.

VIII. Darryl McCaster asked if George was ending his term June 30. George confirmed and reminded the group that a Nominating Committee would likely be needed by the March meeting. County manager will step in George's slot on the council. Darryl also asked that others consider the Vice-Chair position as well.

IX. Closure and Next Meeting Date, March 2, 2021. Motion to adjourn was made by AJ Connors and seconded by Lance Turner; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, N.Hodges