

Governor's Juvenile Justice Commission

Executive Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Virtual meeting

Chair: Sharlen Moore

Executive Committee Members Present:	Commissioner Sharlen Moore, Commissioner Diane Rondini, Commissioner Carl Ashley, Commissioner Edjron Pearson
Members Not Present:	
DOJ Staff:	Sabrina Gentile, Lara Kenny, Kiley Komro, Matt Allord, Steve Wagner, Mark Rather

Convene and Roll Call

The Executive Subcommittee convened at 8:00 a.m. Quorum was present.

Chair Sharlen Moore welcomed members to the meeting.

Chair Moore asked for a motion to approve the October 10, 2023, and November 2, 2023, Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

Motion to Approve October 10, 2023, and November 2, 2023, Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Commissioner Diane Rondini and seconded by Commissioner Edjron Pearson to approve the October 10, 2023, and November 2, 2023, Executive Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

Motion approved.

The vote was: 4 Ayes, 0 No

DOJ Updates

Staff

Matt Allord reported Sabrina Gentile has been named Outreach Coordinator, a new position in the Bureau of Justice Programs. Gentile will continue her current responsibilities for the GJJC and the juvenile justice compliance program. Gentile's new responsibilities include working with the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Allord reported he is creating a position description for a compliance monitor and R/ED Coordinator role. The position description needs to be approved by DOJ Human Resources before it is posted for applicants. Allord noted this process could take some time before the position is posted.

Allord reported Leslie Tlahuel will be an intern for the Juvenile Justice Team during the second semester. Allord reported she may work on research for GJJC position papers, and other tasks. Tlahuel will begin on January 26, 2024, and will work on Mondays and Fridays.

Grants

Kiley Komro reported there are two grant announcements posted on the GJJC website and the DOJ Grants website.

1. Family-Based Youth Incarceration Prevention and Reentry Services – This grant program will support tribal, county, and local (including school districts, and law enforcement) government agencies, and youth serving nonprofits in implementing a new or expanding existing programs. Programs must aim to serve youth and families to divert youth from out of home placement (including secure detention and incarceration) or support youth with reentry and reintegration into their families and communities. The aim of this grant is to increase the number of youth successfully served at home with their family, decrease the number placed in out of home care including secure detention or secure correctional facilities, and increase the number who successfully transition from secure or non-secure out of home care back to their families. A total of \$125,000 is available through this initiative to support one or more awards of up to \$125,000.
2. Local Delinquency Prevention Program – Funding is available for Tribal, county, and local government agencies, and youth serving nonprofits to implement new or enhance existing programs that aim to meet the needs of at-risk youth through the collaboration of the many local systems before which a youth may appear, including schools, courts, law enforcement agencies, child protection agencies, mental health agencies, welfare services, healthcare agencies, and private nonprofit agencies offering youth services. Programs should reflect the needs of the applicant community and could include mentoring programs, mental health and substance abuse services, family-strengthening support and therapy, afterschool programs that provide cultural, educational, recreational, or employment activities, and others. A total of \$58,070 is available through this program to support one award up to \$58,070.

The application deadline for both grants is February 2, 2024.

Kiley Komro reported the two Juvenile Deflection and Diversion grants have been awarded.

Compliance

Allord reported the DOJ staff is continuing the audit compliance visits. Allord has completed most of south-central Wisconsin. Jeff Sauer continues to audit sites in southeastern Wisconsin. Allord reported that site visits will begin in the northern part of the state soon.

Allord reported there is an update to the JJDP Core Requirement Update 223(a)(11)(B), Removing Juveniles Charged as Adults. OJJDP has revised its guidance and informed Wisconsin DOJ that this core requirement applies to all individuals under the age of 17 (the age of full criminal responsibility in Wisconsin) charged as adults. Anyone under the age of 17 charged as an adult must have a 223(a)(11)(B) hearing prior to or within 6 hours of being detained or confined in an adult jail or lockup (48 hours, excluding weekends and legal holidays, for facilities with a Wisconsin DOJ approved Rural Exception). This includes youth waived into adult court and individuals under the age of 17 charged under original adult jurisdiction statutes.

Allord reviewed the process in Milwaukee County regarding juveniles charged as adults which is in compliance with the core requirement.

Allord will be distributing an education memo to reflect these updates. The memo will be sent to all law enforcement and juvenile justice stakeholders including the GJJ. The updated memo is posted on the GJJ website.

Business

GJJ February 13, 2024, Meeting Agenda Review

Kiley Komro reviewed the February 13 GJJ Quarterly Meeting Agenda.

Commissioner Diane Rondini asked about topics that are currently being discussed by the Policy, Legislation and Compliance (PLC) Subcommittee including phone call fees in detention centers. Komro stated the topics will be on the January 23, 2024, PLC meeting agenda for further discussion and possible action. The PLC Subcommittee will report on the topics during subcommittee sharing at the February 13 GJJ Quarterly Meeting.

In-Person Quarterly Meetings

Subcommittee members made suggestions for in person meeting locations for the 2024 Quarterly Meetings and reiterated a desire to host one or two quarterly meetings in person.

Upcoming Meetings

GJJ Executive Subcommittee Virtual Meeting

- April 9, 2024
- July 9, 2024
- October 8, 2024

GJJ Quarterly Meetings

- February 13, 2024
- May 14, 2024
- August 13, 2024
- November 12, 2024

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Announcements

Komro reported the Coalition for Juvenile Justice Annual Conference is May 29 – June 1 in Washington D.C.. Komro will send more information to the GJJJ. A limited number of members can attend.

Commissioner Edjron Pearson reported the Dane County Juvenile Detention Center will be hosting the Detention Center Black History Month event on February 22, 2024. Commissioner Pearson said there is limited space for others to attend.

Chair Moore asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Rondini to adjourn the meeting.

Motion approved.

The vote was: 3 Ayes, 0 No

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.