

New Hampshire State Advisory Group on Juvenile Justice
March 17, 2011
Meeting Minutes

<u>Present</u>	<u>Regret</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Staff</u>
David Kemper	John McDermott	Rachel Boynton	Rich Neilsen
Ron Adams	Pat Dowling	Nick Miller	Pam Sullivan
Glenn Quinney	Jill Carroll		
Amy Pepin	Jerry Gulezian		
Margaret Desfosses	Cliff Kinghorn		
Steve Rowe	Paul Lawrence		
Marty Boldin	Eddie Edwards		
Joe Diament	Steve Whitney		
Junior Brown			
Bonnie St. Jean			
Egon Jensen			
David Mackey			
Ted Kirkpatrick			
Jen Goetsch			
Starr Smith			

The **next SAG meeting** has been **rescheduled to May 12, 2011** from 2-4 PM.

1. Welcome – David Kemper welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Acceptance of January 20, 2011 minutes. Motion to accept made by Glenn Quinney, and seconded by Egon Jensen. All were in favor.
3. Chair Report –
 - Dave asked that the May 19, 2011 strategic planning meeting be moved to the September 15, 2011 meeting. This meeting will be off-site, from 9-3 PM, location to be determined.
 - The members agreed to move the May 19th meeting to May 12th, as many members will be traveling to DC for the CJJ Annual conference.
 - Letter was sent to Senators Shaheen and Ayotte regarding President Obama plan to zero out both the formula and JABG grants.
4. Division Updates:
 - Maggie Bishop, Director of the Division for Children, Youth and Families
 - Field Services (Juvenile Probation and Parole) and all other areas of juvenile justice were temporarily assigned to her.
 - District Offices will be merging. Mobil units will be created. Pilot office will most likely be Littleton.
 - Budget – the House eliminated CHINS, and this recommendation has moved to the Senate. If this passes, effective July 1, 2011 there will be no

new CHINS cases, however the Division will have two years to transition CHINS back to their respective communities.

- There are currently 200 out of home care youth.
- Cost savings approximately \$9 million.
- The plan to move shelter care and transition services to SYSC has been stopped. SYSC is thought of as a “jail”.
- The cost saving for moving shelter care to SYSC is approximately one million dollars. Ms. Bishop has spoke with the shelter care providers to reduce the costs of this service.
- Legislators are seeking to bring the budget numbers to the 1994 level.
- Child and Family Services Review – federal reviews stated that NH had the highest points they’ve ever seen. This review also included juvenile justice
- Jay Apicelli – Interim Director – SYSC
 - Jay stated that he was with SYSC until June 30, 2011 to assess the situation at the center
 - 5 youth in detention – 4 boys, 1 girl
 - 55 committed youth – 42 boys, 13 girls
 - SYSC is collaborating with Child and Family Services and Goodwill Industries on a mentoring program for the SYSC youth. To date there have been 8 matches. The mentor follows the youth into the community.
 - SYSC is hosting a maple sugar “taste off” with the Glenncliff home. The 4th graders from the Webster School will be the judges. John Clayton will be in attendance.
 - The student of the month breakfast continues to be a great way to acknowledge youth who are doing well in school.
 - The girls are making blankets for youth who are homeless, and who are victims of fires, etc.
 - The youth are reengaging in rugby.
 - The youth are participating in the community garden
 - The SYSC will be moving ahead with the transition and shelter units as if this will be approved.
 - Dave Crawly released the October 2010 PBS (performance based standards report)
 - Jay will like to provide supervision training to the middle management at SYSC.
- Fiscal report – PJ Nadeau – no changes since January 2011 report

- Compliance Monitor report – Rich Neilsen
 - OJJDP has now determined that any youth 17 years of age or older who is in possession of alcohol will not be considered a violation. Data will still be collected, but not reported on.
 - OJJDP compliance monitoring audit is scheduled for the week of April 18, 2011.
- 5. Committee reports:
 - Programs – Joe Diament
 - The application for 2nd and 3rd year programs has been sent to grantees
 - Application review scheduled on May 12, 2011.
- 6. Department Reports –
 - DHHS – Egon Jensen –
 - Advised that the Department is dealing with budgetary issues.
 - Youth Move, a youth guided strategy is holding a one day conference focusing on youth at SNHU in April
 - DOE – Bonnie St. Jean
 - Bonnie now works for the Department of Resource and Economic Development, but still oversees the Workforce Investment Act funds for both youth and adults.
 - Not sure if there will be funding available for programs
 - NH has 1000 less dropouts.
 - DOC – Joe Diament
 - The Department looks good like it is in good shape with the Governors budget.
 - They can continue the progress they've made.
 - DOC plans to reduce the population by 50, and have made over 200 in reductions.
- 7. Old Business –
 - Bullying conference – Bonnie St. Jean
 - Conference is sold out
 - Asked for SAG volunteers to be moderators for the breakout sessions. Starr Smith, Jennafer Goetsch, and David Mackey.
 - NE Regional Conference
 - Committee continues to meet
 - Working on presenters for both JDAI and DMC

- Working with CJJ regarding lanyards, thumb drives and information to CJJ conference attendees about the conference in Sept.

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