

DURHAM COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

June 22, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Note Taker: Celia Jefferson

Members Present

Angela Nunn
Pauletta Brown Bracy
Rhonda B. Parker
Delphine Sellars
Anna Lee Mosley
Jennifer Rogers
Gerri Robinson
Karen K. Thompson
Georgette O'Mary
David Addison
Donald Pinchback
Arnold Dennis
Brenda Howerton
Herman Scott

Excused Absences

Johnny Foster
Fungai-Muzorewa-Bennett
Gayle Harris
Nancy Kent
William Marsh
Julie Linehan

Absent

Christina Mattioli
Timothy Burris
Michelle Smith

Others Present

Fabienne Limage, NCCU - JJI

Welcome, Announcements and Community Concerns

Angela Nunn, chair called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm, welcomed everyone and asked them to share community concerns and announcements.

Donald Pinchback will send Celia grant information from OJJDP regarding Best Buy and Wal-Mart to send out to program providers.

A Round Table Discussion

David Addison, JCPC Co-Chair led a roundtable discussion regarding what each council member thought the JCPC should be doing in the community. The council gave the following responses:

Bring people together
Survey the needs of the community
Advocate funds based on needs
Find other funding resources
Informing the community
Enhance public awareness
Resources for officers

Identify medium to advocate on behalf of
the community
In the prevention side of JCPC
Develop a focus group for community issues
Use technology to enhance public awareness
Keep JCPC web page updated

It was suggested that to enhance public awareness of JCPC services, we should advertise the services on the side of Durham's City Buses, schedule times for council members to give an interview on Durham County T.V. show (In Touch with Durham County), set up a face book

with links to our program providers, set up a twitter site, set up a focus group on community issues and schedule a time on NCCU radio station to go live, and distribute JCPC informational brochures for all council members to hand out as a tool to network.

Anna Lee Mosley and Celia Jefferson will complete the work of starting a speaker bureau within JCPC to go into the community to make presentations to various organizations that works with and for juveniles.

Arnold stated that there is a disconnect regarding getting program resources out to family members that are in need of services. He gave an example of the young male that killed himself and his girlfriend and two of her friends earlier this year and asked how could the parents of those young people get services from a program that is skilled to handle that kind of problem if noticed before hand or after the fact? David stated ??????

Prevention

It was stated that prevention is a part of JCPC and even though we are not being funded for prevention, we should promote it. Juvenile-delinquency prevention programs are not just working with at-risk individuals, but also with their families, detention centers and the surrounding community.

Strategic Planning

Angela suggested that the executive committee could be pro-active regarding a strategic plan to blend with the county and make sure that the JCPC population is covered in the county strategic plan. It was suggested that a JCPC Retreat should be planned for this year, maybe in September or October to start the strategic planning.

Minutes

Motion: Angela motioned that minutes from June 22, be accepted as presented. **Action:** Seconded and Approved.

DJJDP News

Donald Pinchback started off by thanking the council for being about business. He said it definitely makes a difference for the court counselors to have programs to work with. He informed the council that 39 court counselors across the state have lost their position and 8 were rifted. Durham County did not lose any positions and that Larry Wallace, deputy chief court counselor for 30 years is retiring July 22nd, and Tamala McDowell will be the only deputy chief court counselor in Durham. Karen Thompson **motioned** that Larry is recognized by JCPC with a plaque for working with and for Durham County Juveniles at his retirement party on July 22nd. **Action: Seconded and approved.**

News from JCPC Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Ad Hoc Committee

Arnold Dennis and Donald talked briefly about DMC. It was stated that the most juvenile complaints received across the state is in Durham County and the contact is referrals. Durham Public School System, law enforcement is working to find out what is the driving force to youth in the system.

Arnold and others at the NCCU Juvenile Justice Institute is working on a Durham County Juvenile and Family Resource Manual that have listed numerous organizations that will impact juveniles. Also, he has included a pocket version of the manual to distribute to law

officers as a tool for quick convenience. A PDF version will be included on the elio public folder on line. It was suggested that we cover some of the cost for printing and that JCPC become a sponsor.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.