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ATTACHMENT C

**JUVENILE JUSTICE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING**

September 25, 2015

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Department of Transportation, Airport Conference Room # 4
400 Rodgers Boulevard, 7th Floor Inter-island Parking Structure, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819**

MINUTES

- Present:** Jay Kimura, Chair
Melinda Montgomery, 2nd Vice Chair, Prevention & Accountability Committee Chair
Judge Aley Auna Jr.
Christina Andersson-Reichert
Sterling Lee
Tai-An Miao, Ethnic, Cultural Diversity & Youth Committee Chair
Laverne Moore
Captain J Pedro – Unexpected Emergency
Patricia Niibu
Ronald Nakamichi, Compliance Committee Chair
- Absent:** Marsha Yamada, 1st Vice Chair – Excused
Dexter Artienda
Elizabeth Browning -Excused
Judge (ret.) William Fernandez - Excused
Kristina Maugalei-Nardo
Vanessa Pulido
Elijah Spriggs-Kahalewai
- Staff:** Merton Chinen, OYS Acting Executive Director/Program Development Officer
Ed Chargualaf, Juvenile Justice Program Coordinator
Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos, Juvenile Justice Program Specialist
Leimomi Fernandes-Otake, JJ Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order

Chair Kimura called meeting to order at 10:09 AM. Ed Chargualaf introduced Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos, the new Juvenile Justice Program Specialist and shared background.

II. Review Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC)

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Attachment A

June 26, 2015 Minutes

Attachment B

Chair Kimura tabled approval of the March 27, 2015 and June 26, 2015 minutes because of no quorum.

III. Presentations

A. Marimed Foundation Presentation – Melissa Hebert

Melissa Hebert, Kailana Participant Recruiter presented first due to an in-take for Judge Auna and meeting at the airport. Disseminated brochures and highlighted the Kailana Program, a residential treatment program for at-risk males ages 14-17, who are continually disruptive at school, out of control at home, or heading quickly down the wrong path. Judge Auna has sent kids, who were very successful (a model to be productive citizens) and visited the sites, but not the Makani Olu (the boat).

The program is a home environment, get allowance if do chores and jobs within the programs, such as yard specialist, activities planner (plan activities 2 weeks in advance), and other positions to view time management. The capacity is 24: 20 beds for DOH and 4 beds with the 1st circuit; as of today with the new intake, at 16. In the process of hiring for the 3rd house to open by middle of next month. In the past, used to have a girl and boy program in the Big Island, but cut due to funding.

The 2nd Program, Ho`oma`a, After-School Program is a 4 month court order program which services the whole island on Tuesdays to Thursday and referrals by probation officers; a smaller Kailana Program. Provides tutoring, personal development, outdoor experimental activities, outreach counseling, and family education activities using a therapy model. A wide range of kids; status offenders to help get back to school. Act as the liaison between the DOH and teachers.

B. Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis Presentation – Dr. Meripa Godinet

Dr. Godinet, of UH School of Social Work presented the juvenile justice crime analysis from 2012-14. Reviewed the different rates by age, gender differences and ethnicity (the usage of "Other", "Mixed", or "Unknown"). Kauai has the highest arrest rate and missing information in 2013 because of a new system. Maui arrest rate increased in 2012-13. Discussions on the breakdown of Micronesians. Judge Auna requested the data breakdown by circuits and recommendation to eliminate the "Unknown" category. Chargualaf requested final hard copy to disseminate to members for approval.
ACTION: Chargualaf to disseminate JJCA Report.

IV. Office of Youth Services (OYS) Acting Executive Director's Briefing

Merton Chinen made introductions, shared background and David Hipp's 5 ½ years term with OYS. OYS started in 1989 and he came onboard in 1999. Chargualaf part of the team and in 2009 due to the rife, transferred to DOD and returned to OYS in 2011.

Chinen reported the JJ Reform Committee meets every month which Hipp played a key role. Moving forward on a RISK assessment as a statewide tool, close to a decision and in place by the next meeting. The Reform Act making good progress in the professional development, graduated sanctions and strengthening probation practices; 1 year term limits and receive credits to decrease the term.

The OYS WRAP process is working with current parent partners and a contract with Hawaii Families as Allies; provides services at HYCF for parents and youth, and continues after the youth returns. RFP for WRAP services include a navigator and facilitator to be operationalized by spring.

Completed the intensive monitoring RFP for judicial circuits' probation officers to make referrals; to help youth be in compliance with probation status and to help succeed. The awardee to begin in January.

Training contract with the Coalition for Drug Free Hawaii to do smaller workshops in October. This year, the ipu is an exploration with the 1st circuit drug court and girl's court held in the north shore. The unfinished gourd and the process into an implement is a spiritual metaphor of the transformation

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process. Last year, Pono Shim at the Aloha Conference emphasized to embrace the OYS' Aloha spirit statute on how to do business, to treat each other with respect, and to connect relationships. Other trainings include Uncle Wayde Lee to conduct trainings in Kauai on the Wahi Pana Kana`aho through the Coalition Training Conference.

Dr. Tao, of Family Residents to conduct Friday Mindfulness Training for 8-9 weeks in Hilo and working with 14 DOE staff, family programs, and CFS; the Big Island has a mindfulness curriculum. Dr. Tao and Shim have conducted Mindfulness trainings at the HYCF 2 years ago.

Mark Patterson, the HYCF Warden continues to make strides and improve operations. As mentioned at the last meeting, working on cattle sales to DOE or PSD and to create more youth programs. Reported the numbers are low in the 20's; thanks to the judges, keeping youth in their circuits versus sending to HYCF.

Laverne Moore inquired if the contracted WRAP RFP provides services to students when turn 18. Chinen responded CWS contract with EPIC Ohana provides Ohana conferencing. The OYS WRAP is for youth who touches the law at different decision points such as HYCF, youth on probation, Ho`opono Mamo at Susannah Wesley. The referrals are not restricted to age 18, but to age 21 in order to support the youth and the family needs.

V. Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC)

A. Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis Report Approval

Chargualaf to disseminate hard copy JJSA Report to take action to vote for approval.

B. SAG Retreat

Chair Kimura reported the SAG Retreat to be held in Kauai for 2 days. Chargualaf discussed dates; 1st day – training for new members, responsibilities, and roles. Day 2 – how to implement the 3-Year Plan, how involved in the process and involvement in the JJ Reform. From the SAG Retreat moving forward with Islander Institute, a local consultant to push what learned, and feel need to do from the retreat. Finalizing the contract specification then present to the Prevention & Accountability Committee to approve for the SAG approval.

C. Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Update

Chargualaf reported Moss Group's approval for TTA, from the PREA Resource Center and to review HYCF policies and procedures. Richard Mello, PREA Coordinator to meet with union to come to a definition agreement in order to submit to Moss Group. ACTION: Chargualaf to follow-up if submitted.

D. Subcommittee Reports

1. Compliance Committee

(a) Trainings

Ronald Nakamichi highlighted discussions of the issue of holding juveniles between the police and the sheriffs. Paekukui submitted statewide MOA to Hipp and to follow-up with Chinen. Paekukui conducting sheriff trainings on lockup procedures statewide.

The Maui Police Department (MPD) extended the POI program to Molokai and an additional funding request submitted to Chargualaf. MPD to conduct Connecticut Youth Development training on Kauai. The Hawaii County requested MPD training format assistance.

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Nakamichi stressed the judiciary and sheriff's responsibilities to incorporate other circuits for reporting statewide. Chair Kimura noted the Kona building will have a new court house. Judge Auna responded the tentative start building is in mid-2016.

Judge Auna reported judiciary has major changes with juveniles shackled in the court room because of the concern of public safety and being a child. A new policy approved by the senior family court judges to not shackle juveniles in court rooms. Referred to Judge Browning for copy of the new policy. Chargualaf reported OJJDP focuses on shackling; if the Act is reauthorized today, it will be part of John Paekukui's compliance monitoring.

2. Ethnic, Cultural Diversity & Youth Committee

(a) Ho`opono Mamo Progress Update

Tai-An Miao call out to Kauai to get kids for the Youth Committee. Judge Auna suggested the High Hopes board; been through the foster system.

Miao reminded of the Ho`opono Mamo 6 months report either on November 16 or 18 and noted 75% are status offenders. Chargualaf noted this is a progress report to the JJSAC and community partners; this will include the Juvenile Justice Center, SWCC Assessment center, and Wahi Kana`aho cultural practice. Council requested to open to the SAG and Subcommittees to attend.

(b) Preliminary Evaluation & Project Updates

Chargualaf reported UH contracted to do evaluation with Dr. Karen Umemoto and Miao, and findings to be presented at the Ho`opono Mamo progress report in November.

3. Prevention & Accountability Committee

Melinda Montgomery reported revised the Prevention & Accountability Committee By-laws section, but tabled because no quorum. Highlighted contracts and need to be aggressive to collect performance reports. DOE programs are not reporting or submitting invoices. Christina Andersson-Reichert completed POI site visit and the numbers are high. Also noted sub sequential funding by OYS with General Funds. Committee voted to change the meetings to Fridays because Wednesday conflicted with staff meetings. Moore made a recommendation to send the By-laws in advance to review.

VI. Grants Management

A. Reauthorization

Chargualaf reported CJJ hoping the JJDP SB 1169 will go to Senate for a full vote by the calendar year. Shackling is part of the bill; need to work on it now without the passing because OJJDP wants to add it to the plan to monitor. Valid court order (VCO) exception is also in the bill, to phase out in 3 years; HI phased out VCO on July 30, 2010, so not concerned. VCO is reducing the numbers and making an impact. The bill addresses if a youth is convicted, awaiting a trial or found guilty in the adult court system, to spend time in a juvenile facility until reach age 18 and stay until 21; to reduce trauma.

Reauthorization will help to restore the JABG program funds. However, responding to the whistle blowers' oversight of accountability allegation regarding contract and compliance issues; states receive funding even when out of compliance. OJJDP funding is \$159m for FY16 with a 2% increase. When the 2015 award before October 1 is approved, will be effective last year, October 1, 2014 because combining grant awards into one for 6 years.

B. 3-Year Comprehensive Plan Report

Chargualaf submitted the first half of the 3-Year Comprehensive Plan Report on June 8. The Compliance section to be reported on July 15: Paekukui to complete the 3 Core Requirements and the Plan, and

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Chargualaf to complete the DMC Requirements. Chargualaf reported focusing on 3 areas: 1. Alternatives to detention/corrections. 2. Delinquency Prevention. 3. Diversion.

VII. Announcements

1. Chargualaf reported CJJ Conference in mid-April in Washington, D.C.
2. Chair Kimura reported nationally raising the adult age from 18 to 25; which is an old Hawaii statute to age 24.

VIII. Next Tentative Meetings

Friday, December 11, 2015 - JJSAC Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, December 18, 2015 - JJSAC Quarterly Meeting

IX. Adjournment

Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Patricia Niibu. There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Leimomi Fernandes-Otake
Juvenile Justice Administrative Assistant