JUVENILE JUSTICE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
QUARTERLY MEETING

March 24, 2016
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Mililani Building, Conference #2, Room #615
820 Mililani Street, 6th Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

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June 26, 2015 Minutes
September 25, 2015 Minutes
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III. Office of Youth Services (OYS) Executive Director’s Briefing

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B. Membership – Renewed Terms, Slate of Officers
C. SAG Meetings – thursdays
D. SAG Retreat Recap
E. CJJ Annual Conference – April 20-23, 2016
F. Subcommittee Reports
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   2. Ethnic, Cultural Diversity & Youth Committee
   3. Prevention & Accountability Committee

V. Grants Management
A. Reauthorization
B. 3-Year Comprehensive Plan Report
C. Contracts

VI. Presentations
A. HI HOPES
VII. Strategic Plan  
   A. Islander Institute – Work Plan

VIII. Announcements

IX. Next Tentative Meetings  
   JJSAC – Thursday, May 19, 2016

X. Adjournment

The meeting is open to the press and public. For more information, contact Leimomi Fernandes-Otake, Juvenile Justice Administrative Assistant at (808) 587-5700.
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MINUTES

Present: Jay Kimura, Chair
Marsha Yamada, 1st Vice Chair
Melinda Montgomery, 2nd Vice Chair, Prevention & Accountability Committee Chair
Christina Andersson-Reichert
Judge Aley Auna Jr.
Elizabeth Browning
Judge (ret.) William Fernandez
Captain Jayson Kauwenaole for Captain J Pedro
Sterling Lee
Laverne Moore
Tai-An Miao, Ethnic, Cultural Diversity & Youth Committee Chair
Ronald Nakamichi, Compliance Committee Chair

Absent: Patricia Niibu - Excused
Kristina Maugalei-Nardo
Vanessa Pulido
Elijah Spriggs-Kahalewai

Staff: Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos, Juvenile Justice Program Specialist
John Paekukui, Compliance Monitor, Juveniles Justice Program
Leimomi Fernandes-Otake, Juvenile Justice Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order
Chair Kimura called meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos welcomed Captain Jayson Kauwenaole and members made introductions. Reviewed conflict of interest, the commitment to SAG and the members’ role.

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Chair asked for approval of the March 27, 2015 minutes. Laverne Moore motioned to approve the March 27, 2015 minutes, seconded by Judge William Fernandez, and the motion was passed unanimously. No discussion.
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Chair asked for approval of the June 26, 2015 minutes. Moore motioned to approve the June 26, 2015 minutes, seconded by Tai-a Miao, and the motion was passed unanimously. No discussion.

Chair asked for approval of the September 25, 2015 minutes. Moore motioned to approve the September 25, 2015 minutes, seconded by Judge Fernandez, and the motion was passed unanimously. No discussion.

III. Office of Youth Services (OYS) Executive Director’s Briefing
Mejia-Vasconcellos tabled the OYS Executive Director’s briefing, because not available at this time. Announced Merton Chinlen is the new OYS Executive Director.

IV. Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC)
A. Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis Report Approval
Chair asked for approval of the report and noted the biggest concern is the “unknown” of the Ethnicity. Marsha Yamada inquired if the information is from JJS because uncertain the Accuracy of the information; able to speak for Maui and the numbers are incorrect. Remarked on the Kauai and Maui numbers, especially with the detention rates of only 5 kids. Judge Auna reported cannot believe only 3 in detention from the Big Island for 3 courts; numbers are significantly more. Discussion on the discrepancies. Action: Mejia-Vasconcellos to contact Dr. Godinet.

Christina Andersson-Reichert moved to approve the report and suggested to review the recommendations. Yamada agreed to approve the report based on JJS information given, but to note the discrepancies to report accurate information. Miao motioned to approve the report, seconded by Melinda Montgomery, and the motion was passed unanimously. No further discussion. Action: Mejia-Vasconcellos to retrieve members’ feedback to report corrections.

B. Membership – Renewed Terms, Slate of Officers
Mejia-Vasconcellos reviewed the renewed terms and member replacements. Miao to contact the second elected official choice. Judge Auna suggested a Waianae Representative as a third option. Yamada thanked group for patience with her promotion and responsibilities to not continue on the SAG. Noted Ms. Randi Cooper will be a good addition to the SAG and she sits on the Act 201 working group.

Mejia-Vasconcellos announced the slate of officers: Chair is Montgomery, 1st Vice Chair is Andersson-Reichert and 2nd Vice Chair is Moore. Opened the nomination. Judge Fernandez motioned to closed the nomination and to approve the slate of officers, seconded by Yamada, and the motion was passed unanimously. No discussion. Chair congratulated the new officers.

C. SAG Meetings – Thursdays
Chair noted the meeting day changed to Thursdays. Leimomi Fernandes-Otake reported the majority poll and also ideal for Judge Auna’s trials. Judge Fernandez inquired convenience of meetings at DOT. Responded to consider meetings on the 3rd week because DOT has become a popular location.

D. SAG Retreat Recap
Mejia-Vasconcellos highlighted the Burns Institute presentation, focus on DMC and the work plan day. Bob Agres introduced the Islander Institute’s work plan, what to expect and where the SAG is headed.

E. CJJ Annual Conference – April 20-23, 2016
Chair shared the background of CJJ Hill Day. Last year, Senator Mazie Hirono was concerned about the shackling issue. Mejia-Vasconcellos named attendees, the purpose to educate the members on the
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Reauthorization Act and the opposition from Senator Cotton (AR) because of the VCO; Arkansas has more than 700 incarcerated youth for status offenses. Fernandes-Otake noted the appointments.

F. Subcommittee Reports
   1. Compliance
Ronald Nakamichi reported last meeting held at the Kapolei Police Station, toured the new high tech Waianae Police Station and the Kapolei Detention Home for the new members. Advised Captain Kauwenaole of the county police representatives, including from the sheriff, judiciary and Hale Kipa.

Paekukui gave an overview of the responsibility handout and reviewed the federal regulation mandates to keep the state in compliance. The Hawaii Revised Statute 571-32 authorizes the Compliance Monitor to perform inspections of the juvenile facilities for compatibility with the OJJDP guidelines, as well as the review of juvenile records to collect data. Previously trained in America Samoa, Guam and Saipan.

Paekukui reviewed the annual Compliance Monitor Report handout and the federal reporting change from the calendar to the federal fiscal. The 2015 report has a total of 3 violations statewide for 2 juveniles. Judge Auna thanked Paekukui for the trainings because of the difference from 2010 to 2015 with the Big Island numbers.

Paekukui highlighted the statewide trainings, the Connecticut “Effective Police Interactions with Youth,” targeted for police beat officers to better interact with juveniles; all islands trained, except for Kauai. Provided statewide trainings for the sheriffs, “Surviving the Night with the Juvenile Offender.” Kauai and the Big Island can hold juveniles overnight because the facilities were classified by the federal liaison as a “Lockup,” and can use the Rural Exception to transport the juveniles to the Honolulu facilities.

Paekukui commented on the federal determination letter stating Hawaii is in compliance. Judge Auna inquired the federal definition for juvenile. Hawaii uses the state definition for juvenile, which varies by states.

Maui Train-the-Trainers are working on training tools to look like Hawaii youth; incorporated the training with the recruit class. Completed a Kauai training for 2 SROs versus the beat officers who need the training. Sergeant Barry Tong to work with MPD to use HPD technical video staff if require a video. MPD launched the Molokai POI project with 4 community partners and the program is growing.

HPD exercising park sweeps because of the homeless, which affects the pacific islanders who frequent the parks. Paekukui reminded the culture is to gather in the parks and now impacted because of drinking alcohol. Compliance Committee to attend the next SAG meeting in order to grasp what they do.

Referred to Yamada to report on the Judiciary Act 201. The working group are representatives from each circuit. Finalized a statewide needs assessment called YASI to standardize the juveniles, because each circuit handles the juveniles differently; unlike the adults. The circuits now capture data to get technical support, divert kids from HYCF and only certain offenses are sent to HYCF. To use incentives and sanctions, called BISS to become more positive with the handling of juveniles and to give hope. With a 10-1 ratio of positives, the youth receives money from OYS for graduation pictures, tattoos removal and etc. Climate change to encourage praise, positive feedback and words of reinforcement doing well. Discussions of earned discharge credits; for every month not revoke probation, the youth is given 1 month credit. Addressing the issue for sex offenders because the treatment takes over 2 years. A policy to issue credit if the youth completes the treatment, but not while in the treatment.
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Probation officers are required to complete home visits 45 days from when the youth is placed on
probation; the visit tells a lot about the youth’s environment and to guide judgments. Previously, the
youth went to the office. Judge Auna is happy the youth can get months taken off because of BISS.

2. Ethnic, Cultural Diversity & Youth Committee
Miao’s take away from the retreat is that the DMC focus on Ho’opono Mamo is a plan. Learned SAG
does not fund Ho’opono Mamo, which is an intervention; only the initiative pilot. Held 3 planning
meetings to get structure, figure out focus and to establish members. Mejia-Vasconcellos reminded
county representations, not a large committee and to prioritize focus. Committee to work with
Prevention & Accountability Committee on what guidelines to collect the ethnic data. Andersson-
Reichert inquired teleconferencing option due to multiple meetings and the sensitivity of time away
from the office; perhaps same day combined meetings. Fernandes-Otake advised the Sunshine Law.

3. PA Committee
Montgomery summarized the funded contracts, the numbers served and the Hawaiian numbers are
Down, which means getting direct service. The need to establish priorities for funding and data, define
committee’s role and how to align priorities. Judge Auna inquired about the Big Island programs. West
Hawaii is a peer mentoring program which trains youth to become peers to other youth on truancy or
suspended at the high school level. Judge Auna confirmed does not see truancy youth.

V. Grants Management
A. Reauthorization
Mejia-Vasconcellos reported the bill is still in the senate because of one vote by Senator Cotton (AR),
who opposes the elimination of the VCO. If passed, the bill prohibits incarcerating youth for status
offense in juvenile facilities and to phase out VCO is the next three years. Paekukui noted Hawaii waived
the VCO due to the Family Court’s short staff in 2010, even with the judges’ opposition to retain the
VCO. Mejia-Vasconcellos also noted the bill will no longer allow the shackling of girls when giving birth.
Judge Auna reported the shackles are taken off juveniles in prehearings, unless there is danger.

B. 3-Year Comprehensive Plan Report
Mejia-Vasconcellos discussed the 2015-17 plan, the core requirements are clear for compliance and
DMC, but need to identify the 3rd. Islander Institute to revise the 3-Year Plan by November.

C. Contracts
Mejia-Vasconcellos concerned about OJJDP money funded by SAG and to get OYS state funding. The
Formula Title II 2016 solicitation is due by end of the month, funds are decreasing. Last year, under
$400K because of PREA. This is the 3rd year penalized because HYCF is still out of PREA compliance.

Mejia-Vasconcellos summarized the awards. The JABG was eliminated in FY14, spending FY12 and FY13,
closed out FY11 and made one contract transition from JABG to Formula funds. The Formula FY11 is
closed out, and spending FY12, FY13/14 (combined) and FY15. FY14 and FY15 PREA will be expended by
September 2016. Reminder no Title V funds. The challenge will be to identify which contracts are part of
the priorities because the Formula funding is for 3 years, pending funding and contract performance.

VI. Strategic Plan
A. Islander Institute
Agres highlighted the Kauai retreat, James Bell’s push to identify 3 priorities and the process. The vision
for the 3-Year Plan is not a paper product, but a road map, tool and an organization structure to
implement by November. Addressing the data challenges (how investing, service what and who) and the
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issue of engaging youth. The idea of “1 inch deep and 1 mile wide;” need to see the work move the needle and where concentrate resources to make an impact.

Agres reminded here to listen and to collect information to paint the picture. The key pieces are: 1. 3-Year Plan by November. 2. Look at the data; if discrepancies, what’s going on to determine the direction, and what data need (more specific data, not just Micronesian). Definitions of diversion and recidivism. Look at funding and why percentage of money going to program; sufficient or switch. Yamada talked about ACT 201 data, what do with report when receive it in 2017 and how data inform what is going on. 3. Youth membership to focus on youth engagement. How to engage cultural prospective in membership. 4. Landscape on data because not in reports, terms of funding, JDAI, JJIS and where’s OYS to better leverage resources. 5. SAG to develop a cultural of inquiry, innovation and how to become a learning entity; tools and systems to make strategic decisions.

Target to work with subcommittees and chairs by for draft plan in September and to finalize in November. Echo James Bell’s idea with the limited resources, need to be clear about the priorities and use the money as an incentive to the partners acting on things what want to push. Praised on work doing, because already leading nation in terms of DMC. Andersson-Reichert thanked for the encouragement and the hope; first time feel useful in role.

VII. Presentations
A. HI HOPES
Miao introduced HI HOPES presenters, Delia Ulima of Epic Ohana, Gernani Yutob and Keola Limkin. Ulman highlighted the foster care transition initiative, what happens when age out or transition for ages 14-26, and how the youth engagement made policy and practice strides. Limkin shared his story, 3 years in foster care till graduated from high school, not jjs involved and graduated from UH with a BA. Limkin now works with Epic Ohana on the board and transitioned here from Hilo. Yutob shared his story, 4-5 years in foster care from age 14 to 18, in jjs at Adlers Street for a night, transferred to foster care in a group home then foster homes, and graduated from UH West Oahu with a BA. Final months with HI HOPES because relocating to the mainland, conducted the meetings for youth in care to help plan for their future. Andersson-Reichert thanked for sharing empowered stories and give hope to youth.

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X. Adjournment
Andersson-Reichert made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Montgomery. There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

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