



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES
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JUVENILE JUSTICE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
QUARTERLY MEETING

ATTACHMENT "A"

April 6, 2017

8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Department of Transportation, Airport Conference Room 4
400 Rodgers Boulevard, 7th Floor Inter-island Parking Structure, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96819
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AGENDA

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by FB Chair, Melinda Montgomery, and Chair asked for roll call of all members, OYS staff, guests in attendance, in-person or via teleconference:

A. Roll call of FB members present, in-person:

Melinda Montgomery, FB Chair, Program Coordinator for Hale Kipa, Inc.

Randi Cooper, Juvenile Client and Family Services, Administrator, Third Circuit Court,
Island of Hawai'i County

Judge Bill Fernandez, Retired, Hawai'i State Family Court

Delia Ulima, `Epic Ohana, Inc.

Tai-An Miao, University of Hawai'i

Judge Aley Auna, Family Court of the Third Circuit, Island of Hawai'i County

LaVerne Moore, DOE, McKinley High School, Special Education Teacher

Pat Niibe, DOE, Island of Lana'i Teacher

Lt. Gary Saiki, Compliance Committee Chair, Kaua'i Sheriff's Office

Sterling Lee, PID, Ka Pa'alana, Fathers Education Specialist

OYS Staff:

Merton Chinen, Executive Director of Office of Youth Services (OYS)

Cyndy Pierce, OJJDP/OJP Juvenile Justice Program (JJP) Coordinator, OYS

John Paekukui, JJP Compliance Monitor, OYS

Diane Texidor, Office Assistant, OYS

Guests present in-person or via telephone:

David Hipp, Interested Citizen and former Executive Director of OYS

Andrew Aoki, Islander Institute

James Bell, via teleconference, Director, Burns Institute

Armond, via teleconference, Site Manager, Burns Institute

Anna Won, via teleconference, Senior Policy Associate, Burns Institute

II. Review Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC)

December 15, 2016 Minutes, Attachment "A"

Chair asked if FB members needed time to review and/or discussion of Minutes, Attachment "A," from last meeting, held December 15, 2016. There being no need for review or discussion, Chair asked for motion to

approve Minutes, Attachment "A." Moore motioned to approve the Minutes; Niibu seconded motion; Chair asked for vote, and all members present voted unanimously to approve December 15, 2016 Minutes.

III. Strategic Plan

A. Discussion including Burns Institute and Island Institute

Introductions: Anna Won, Senior Policy Associate; James Bell, Director; and Armond, Site Manager, with Burns Institute (BI) came to Hawaii last February to facilitate work with the JJSAC in critically looking at the 3-Year Plan, with focus on disparities and overall improvement to the 3-Year Plan, and working together with Island Institute, who reviewed the revised the Plan. James Bell, Director of the Burns Institute, offered feedback: that Plan is significantly improved and better than the version presented with, when BI first came in February. BI would like to continue to work with the JJSAC and to provide continuous recommendations, reflection, and to comment on the Plan/work on an ongoing basis.

- (Bell stressed that and congratulated) (T)he vision and value statement are inspirational, relevant, focused, relatable, translatable, spectacular, etc. Plan could be used as overview by and model for other state advisory groups (SAGs) around the country; specific on the roles of accountability; and clarity as to which groups will be working together on each (of 4) priority. Good understanding/ clarity of what different committees are doing. Pointed out that (Bell believed) many of the measures are "process" measures, and not "product" measures. Will be giving more on this factor, but (Bell stated that) measures are something to look at and strive for. Tremendous work, and role of BI is to make the Plan even better than, as evolved and as good as when first started on journey in February of last year 2016.
- Won praised clearer vision of SAG, and the structure of the Plan, with overlap with other committees to have group collaboration with each of the other committees, such as ECD (Priority Two, Reducing Disparities) would be work with Compliance in ensuring accurate data collection to measure disparities in Hawai'i.

Priority One, Compliance:

- Bell addressed Aoki that Priority One, Compliance objectives fine and good, relative to and dedicated to Compliance Committee (CC): The Compliance Committee is focused and built a process... most outcome-oriented (compared to other priorities). Islander utilized the way CC operates in its process and meetings for the other committees to follow them. On 1.2.1, PREA, most problematic, and would need most attention and to be addressed by JJSAC in the future.
- LaVerne Moore commented: we can combined meetings together, so that we saved financially and economically. With meetings back-to-back, those members who were in first committee could then attend second scheduled meeting. Developed interest and focused attention on what other committees were doing to develop the plan, able to address it and whether it is achievable.
- Andrew: learning phase, after retreat, was becoming aware of what other committee stand for and are doing. Compliance has the strongest in terms of operation and clarity in what committee stands for and is doing. Some of things that were not happening is the ability to look at everything that is going on; the staff role was to pull out everything; CC had elements in their discussions, which should have been known to the Prevention & Accountability (P&A) Committee, as example.
- Regrouping of the work of the committees by providing staff assistance, and with the guidance and role of both BI and Islander, they were instrumental in making this endeavor work. The plan reflects regrouping of all the conversations that were happening. Staff role was to assist on a regular basis to make sure working on 3-Year Plan was coming together and working.

Priority Two, Reducing Disparities:

- The most comments were offered for Priority Two, Reducing Disparities.
- 2.1.1 – Observation cited herein to 2012 DMC report by UH, which provides update and draws conclusions for next actions. Suggestion made by BI that JJSAC/Plan to identify troublespots in the system that addresses reports of outcomes and disparities being starkest for Native Hawaiians/other Pacific Islanders (or "youth of color, who are not doing as well, based on the data"); thus Plan could

address this with more definitive goals and objectives to cure. Suggestion specifically made to clearly identify 2012 DMC Report (in Plan) for context and clear citation, should anyone reading Plan would need to refer to or draw upon.

(Note: at this point, Bell interjected that with time constraint of only another 15 minutes left for BI presentation/input, response (negative or positive) not necessary henceforth, and to be addressed in possible further discussion or whatever decision is made between concerned parties.):

- 2.1.2 – Add a brief vision statement on statement of purpose for (DMC) committee in wanting change of name of committee (to suit purpose and problem it is trying to address). Bell suggested that priority area no. 2 should enlighten current and any new members of what the purpose/work/goals of the committee are; how we look at; how to measure and for outcomes.
- **Action Item: Burns Institute (to provide)** Santa Clara Statement of Purpose to be provided by BI.
- 2.2.1 – Does not like the measures listed for 2.2.1. (a., b., and c.). Bell stated: would want to have more than check the box on the number (of presentations, ...people presented to, ...type of stakeholder groups reached), which should be more substantive that shows that "something took hold..." (which Bell stated)... "I don't know what it is; ...something to work on (in this area)."
- 2.3.1 – Under measurements, it states "definitive current status for Ho'opono Mamo,..." (Won questions) and Plan needs to clarify what this means and how is this measured? (Miao responded) (This HM project) was a DMC reduction intervention response to 2012 DMC report and under purview of the JJSAC. Based on inability to fully fund all phases of original HM project, moved into overarching realm (in current status of HM project). In conjunction with JJSAC with ongoing assessment, policy decision is being made as to HM project going forward: what advocating for; policy changes, etc. OYS funded this project. (Chinen reported) HM project services were recently solicited out as RFP currently in process; and being funded as an office initiative for next two fiscal years forward. Due to tenuous (federal) funding at this time, OYS will continue project with State general funds. (Moore interjected:) Prevention & Accountability Committee has a evaluative tool to get more information from the providers than what asked for. Could this be put on as a measure that (P&A) has come up with a criteria to ask for more than what is asked for in the grant requirements? **Action Item: JJSAC to further explore (?)** (Discussion ensued and BI/Bell asked that this suggestion be "tabled" and "piloted" with some other program, with another call and extended conversation going further/deeper into this question/matter for decision-making, such as regarding RED (and as means of measuring).
- 2.4 Needs more clarity in definition of scope and specific offerings of opportunities relative to or for groups facing disparities. Also, intent is for ECD to work with P&A in review of best/promising practice, etc.

Priority Three, Prevention:

- Won proposed adding ECD Committee as part of Priority 3: analysis of data "dashboard" relates to Priority 2, Reducing Disparities, section 2.3.2., ensuring collection of accurate data and to measure disparities in Hawai'i; and to Priority 1, Compliance, section 1.1.3.d. relative to collection and efficient use of data.
- Won pointed out that all of the committees (ECD, Compliance, and Prevention) are implicated in Priority Three, Prevention, in gathering of accurate data collection and efficient use of data. Added thoughts of forming another cross committee, like: "Data Quality Team," or "Data Capacity Team;" or, if not, that all data are aligning with each other, and not duplicating efforts, especially with disparity work with collection of and break down of data collected of all different ethnic groups (and usefulness thereof). Be cognizant of efficient collection and coordinated use of data.

Priority 4, Youth Engagement:

(Auna asked for any comments from BI on Priority 4):

- Aoki shared that part of the Plan was to elevate youth as a priority in past year was gaining new members and formulating as a (formal) Youth Committee, as well as operating as on same (independent) level as other committees.
 - Chair Montgomery offered that Youth Committee making beginning efforts to meet, but offers as a startup endeavor. Bell interjected that other jurisdictions (states, etc.) experience same challenges, and this is not unique to Hawai'i; and advised JJSAC to continue with this struggle; to engage with other entities or jurisdictions that have successfully staffed and maintained its committee membership.
 - Bell stressed: "don't invent the wheel," as Hawai'i may be able to find other SAGs that have "reformed" to have already become engaged and have successful youth committees. Follow their lead/template of becoming successful or unsuccessful in efforts, so Hawai'i can learn what to or not to do in onward attempts toward becoming model JJSAC Youth Committee. Won added an email about a successful California story was previously sent to Hawai'i JJSAC. Won also stressed to be on top of engaging youth, but also to be very thoughtful about evidence-based planning and retention of youth membership, without constant turnovers, new recruitment of youth, which may lead to loss of time and money.
 - Chair introduced: Delia Ulima of Epic `Ohana, Statewide Coordinator for Jim Casey Initiative, in Hawai'i, with primary role of youth engagement for Epic Youth Leadership Board, which is made up of current and former foster youth; Ulima commented on adhering to overall principles:
 1. Utilizing young people (youth) who have experience juvenile justice (system), and not just having "token" young people on (youth) committee;
 2. Having means to prepare youth that is meaningful and protective of them in addressing trauma they may have experienced while in juvenile justice/foster care or other adverse situation(s);
 3. Having diverse population of youth that is reflective of our community (meaning gender, age, race/ethnicity, LGBTQ, etc.);
 4. Having a system of being able to support them in meaningful way, such as providing them with stipends for their time and efforts/involvement in committee, training, etc., similar to professionals (here) at the table who are paid (salaries) for their time and to be at their jobs/places of employment, etc.; that youth have time and mentoring support, and to be able to learn how to effectively advocate (for themselves, their causes).
 5. Realizing limitation of funding or finite resources, Epic (youth committee) relies on different sources, including from private entities and/or other community resources/partnerships; or do major legislative advocacy/work, etc.
 6. Advocating for youth, youth committee, others, such as JJSAC members to learn about, tour places such as HYCF, etc. to become more aware of juveniles in and out of justice system.
- B. JJSAC Statagic 3-Year Plan (need to continue working on Plan for submission to OJJDP for next three years: FY2018, FY2019, FY 2020).

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

- A. Chinen reported/updated on the following, continuing and in place on the various decision-making points of the juvenile justice system:
1. Ongoing Vera SOSR (Status Offense System Reform) Technical Assistance and Training activity;
 2. PREA compliance activities continues at HYCF;
 3. Ho`opono Mamo Assessment Center and Civil Citation Initiative ongoing;
 4. Juvenile Justice Reform activities;
 5. Looming overall: Legislature activities and budgetary cuts and/or decreased allocation: funding down from previous hopes and expectations.

- B. IVAT Conference held in Hawai'i: Major topic, "trauma," inter-related to work that we do. Trauma-informed care, historical trauma relative to indigenous populations, as here, in Hawai'i and larger Pacific regions, that at deepest level, historical and cultural trauma still need to be addressed going forward with attention to unresolved historical trauma inflicted upon, suffered and manifested by (local/indigenous) Hawaiian/part-Hawaiian people community and population extending from historical past and after affects reaching into current time.
- C. Jarrett Intermediate/Middle School (JMS) in Palolo Valley: reportedly doing incredible things, and (Chinen stated to be) in support of our schools and that every (school) day schools touch the lives of over 170,000 school-aged (K-12) youth:
 - 1. Remarkable statistic from Superintendent Matayoshi's Newsletter: School year 2012-2013, JMS had 158 suspensions; at last reported school year 2015-2016, suspension were down to 14;
 - 2. Chinen reported himself to be so inspired that he called school counselor, Shante Nobriga, and scheduled a visit the next day at PMS. Although unable to meet with Principal, was informed and reaffirmed that success at PMS comes down to (Chinen's belief): important leadership; all-encompassing "buy-in" by school staff/personnel to care about and reach out to youth, their families, (Palolo/neighborhood) community.

V. Juvenile Justice State Advisory Chair's Briefing

- A. Chair attended Youth Committee held on O`ahu; was inspired by Ulima and a young woman, Noy Worachit, a youth member on JJSAC FB Committee and on Youth Committee, who is amazing (with amazing life story).
- B. Essential to make Hawai'i youth understand that where they started out in life does not determine how far they can/will go.
- C. It's our shared responsibility that all youth, especially those in the Juvenile Justice System, are given a fair shot in life, which includes a quality education, and the opportunity to follow their dreams.
- D. For every dollar we spend on expanding the youth's effective quality-based alternatives, (compared) to youth detention, using assessment tools to screen youth for trauma, mental health, or substance abuse issues, that this (quality assessment) will save dollars twice down the road in the cost in detaining and incarcerating youth.
- E. Chair expressed excitement about JJSAC 3-Year Plan because if we make some changes, we will have a functional operating guide.
- F. Chair also shared/reiterated JJSAC mission: "to advise government and local communities to insure effective services, provisions, and development of policies that improve the juvenile justice system, advocates for delinquency prevention, and guides Hawai'i youth in becoming productive community members."

VI. Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC)

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Compliance Committee

- a. Compliance Chair Saiki reported on current activities discussed at last Compliance Committee meeting, held May 9, 2017, (see Minutes from CC meeting);
- b. Compliance Monitor Paekukui reported that Compliance Report for FY 2017 Formula II Grant Application was completed and awaiting completion of the (companion) DMC Report to be filed online by Pierce.
- c. Paekukui reported one violation for last FY 2016: juvenile was placed in a cell and complained about illness; he was then taken to hospital and treated; after discharge from hospital, juvenile was returned by HPD back to the cell for a total time of six hours and fifteen (6.25) minutes, which resulted in violation. HPD District

Commander was contacted and to avoid future violations, in-service training was conducted.

- d. OJJDP regulations that were previously issued on October 30, 2015 was subsequently suspended.
- e. OJJDP Issued a new guidance manual draft on September 30, 2016, Re: a new partial policy issued as of January 17, 2017, but does not contain all of the DMC provisions.
- f. Changes in the new policy will allow status offenders and new offenders to be brought into police stations for processing, but juvenile must be removed after processing is completed, and can only be held for no more than six (6) hours.
- g. For criminal violations, the six (6)-hour policy starts when the juvenile enters the facility classified as adult lockup, which becomes a violation offense, if juvenile held over six (6) hours. In the past, the OJJDP allowed six (6) hours before hearing and six (6) hours after the hearing – this no longer applies.
- h. Compliance Committee lost two (2) committee members.

Paekukui added that summary provided to committee members regarding the new rules:

- a. We still need to train law enforcement officers in determining a violation because OJJDP/new rule sets up a new system and/or definition.
- b. Paekukui does not know when the training by OJJDP will occur and does not know if Compliance Training will be part of that training, which has been postponed. Paekukui made contact and awaits response, but does not believe OJJDP is ready (to provide training, as yet). Hopefully there will be changes for the better.

2. Ethnic & Cultural Diversity Committee

- a. Miao reported that ECD committee has not met, since December 2016 meeting.
- b. Waiting for data in order to have a more accurate picture of what is going on.
- c. Roemmling (?) made a comment about the need for a data compliance committee and suggestion is to have a core person attend each of (all JJSAC FB and Standing) committee meetings in order to be a liaison who is able to summarize the combined needs of each committee, to create a data dashboard, and to provide/present a comprehensive overview.

3. Prevention & Accountability Committee: Acting Chair, Patricia Niibu, 1st Vice-Chair, reported on behalf of absent Chair:

- a. Niibu reported and asked Moore to follow up on Augie T "Anti-bullying" Presentation, and for scheduling at future JJSAC FB meeting;
- b. Niibu reported that P&A listed challenges of each member representing from their island/location, such as (Niibu from) Lana`i, small community with lack of physical resources to address local Lana`i Island challenges;
 - (1) No programs/service providers situate on Lana`i, such as for (big) problems with the youth (having)/with drugs (addiction/use).
 - (2) Also reported on Cemetary (renewal and historical) Project related to individual family history, learning about community, and history of other families, culture, religion, and surroundings, etc. Funding is a problem to continue deeper into the project.

4. Youth Committee

- a. Ulima reported that current Youth Committee comprised of having two (2) active members on the Youth Committee: Representative Cedric Gates, newly elected Legislative Representative; and Nanglar "Noy" Worachit, who works the Detention

- Center, at this time. There was a 3rd person who applied as member, but recently moved from the State. The Youth Committee has two (active) of three (2 of 3) minimally required members;
- b. Recent meeting for Youth Committee attended by Chair Miao, of ECD Committee; by OYS/OJP staff, JJ Program Coordinator Pierce; Chair Montgomery of JJSAC FB Committee; and Ulima to discuss priorities and moving slowly on formation of the committee for youth; and
 - c. Provide for a youth engagement training for new members of Youth Committee: Regarding effective youth engagement and how that would play into each individual committees and within the communities as well.
 - d. Provide a tour of the HYCF, located on O`ahu; and/or Kapolei Detention (correctional) Center, moving forward, to interact with/interview the staff or young people at these facilities.
 - e. Plans are to have the Youth Committee take a tour; to talk story; and meet with the young people to discuss leads and issues, before next quarter FY 2017 JJSAC meetings.
 - f. Ulima and other Vera SOSR Work Group Meeting member were able to interview young people and staff people at the HYCF, with certain issues coming up again and again. Ulima reported there are great value lessons to learn from youth.

Miao reported on Peoples' Grant Award: monies could be used for Youth Committee for such things as, stipends; gas money; budget for food, etc., for the active youth members. Epic is the co-sponsor for the grant, and should be hearing back from them in about five (5) weeks.

Montgomery reported: on setting goals that are very achievable, so that youth can have some success "starting small," and moving on from that.

B. Membership

1. Pierce reported on resigned; expired; or inactive membership: JJSAC needs to fill three (3) positions:
 - a. Elizabeth "Eliza" Browning resigned and moved to Ireland;
 - b. Vanessa R. Pulido, inactive youth member, whose term expired June 30, 2017;
 - c. Elijah Spriggs-Kahalewai, inactive youth member, whose term expired and was withdrawn from list.
2. Pierce reported on prospective applicants:
 - a. Vonn Ramos, Hale `Opio, Inc. (New Executive Director)
 - b. Alan K. Ibrao, HPD Officer
 - c. Need to look for two (2) more youth members

VII. Unfinished Business

A. Grants Management:

1. FY 2017 Formula II Grant Application
 - a. Pierce reported OYS put in application for FY 2017 Formula II Grant Award, which must be completed and entered (in GMS) by April 17, 2017.

B. Vera Institute of Justice (Vera)-Status Offense System Reform Application (SOSR) for Training and Technical Assistance (TTA): Miao debriefed and updated:

1. Hawai'i was one of two (1 of 2) states awarded as technical assistance sites:
2. Vera SOSR Team had an onsite visit by Vera (mainland) Team last month; working on gathering data and on Vera SOSR Team approach Statewide, with Vera SOSR Focus Groups scheduled in May. The issue is status offense (SO) runaways, with focused attention on

Native Hawaiian females, and close attention on related SO truancy. The data will be collected for District 5, on O`ahu, and not neighbor islands, at this time.

3. When the Vera Team returns in August 2017, Core Team will let everyone know dates when mainland Team will arrive for third onsite visit to O`ahu, with presentation of recommendations and findings.
 4. Vera SOSR (mainland) Team first on-site visit to Hawai`i was March 20-22, 2017
 5. Kick-off Event held at SOH Judiciary, Kapolei, March 20, 2017
 6. Vera SOSR 1st Work Group meeting, March 20, 2017
 7. On-going teleconference interviews, since about end of February 2017, and continuing with face-to-face interviews March 20-22, 2017
- C. (Pierce reported on) U. S. Representative Tulsi Gabbard held 2017 Criminal and Juvenile Justice Platform/Rountable: Visit at HYCF on February 22, 2017; JJSAC debriefed:
1. U.S. Representative Gabbard visited the HYCF on February 22, 2017 and was present at the Roundtable to learn about the program in place and how to help the youth while incarcerated; learn of any school and vocational training; living arrangements or daily operations that the youth experiences on a daily basis.
 2. Chinen offered that a staff member for Representative Gabbard has a personal interest in JJ issues, based on his mixed experience as a youth, when he was confined in several reformatory schools on the the East Coast, thus enhancing Representative Gabbard's focus on this Criminal and Jusvenile Justice issues, although they are also concerned with PSD/adult justice issues.
 3. As an aside, Chinen brought up that Gabbard introduced bill to decriminalized marijuana, which would allow States to follow through with their own legislation on this matter.
- D. Youth Committee:
(Ulima report on behalf of the Youth Committee) that Epic was asked by County of Hawaii, Office of Prosecuting Attorney in Hilo to come to do a training on social capital. Noa, Keola, and Ulima will be conducting sessions at Imiloa Astronomy Center to talk about the impact of social capital in at-risk-communities and the importance of building social capital, social empowerment to help strengthen those systems; scheduled on May 3, 2017, Wednesday. The event flyers will be going out to inform anyone involved or working with at-risk youth. Auna asked if the event flyer could also include/be sent to West (or Kona) side of the Big Island, as Auna is sitting Judge on Judiciary Court in Kona.

VIII. New Business

- A. OJJDP Financial On-Site Monitoring Visit to Hawai`i; scheduled June 13-15, 2017:
Pierce reported that an on-site Financial Audit by U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), will be in Hawai`i to conduct routine financial montoring/audit of grants, and to provide technical assistance for grants awarded by the DOJ. The visit will include review of OYS accounting system, written policy and procedures, and review of records and randomly selected expenditures charged to different awards.

Chinen and Pierce, (and Compliance Monitor Paekukui) will not be present at the time of the at the upcoming OJJDP Financial On-Site Monitoring Visit to Hawai`i, June 13-15, 2017, due to prior commitment and registration to attend FY 2017 CJJ Conference in Washington D.C., at that time. OYS Financial Manager, Kerry Kiyabu, will be present to answer and/or respond to any questions, inquiries made by DOJ OCFO. OYS has not been audited since 2009.

- B. CJJ Annual 2017 Conference, Washington D.C., scheduled June 14-17, 2017, Pierce reported that:
1. Hill Day scheduled on June 14, 2017: Conference attendees scheduled to meet with State Congressional Delegation or their legislative representatives, including Senator Brian Schatz,

- Representative Colleen Hanabusa (in-person), Senator Mazie Hirono (in-person), and Representative Tulsi Gabbard (in person).
2. Attendees: Chinen, Pierce, Paekukui, and Montgomery will be attending Conference; Worachit (youth member) attendance not confirmed at this time.
- C. OJJDP Juvenile Justice Specialist Training, OJP, Washington D.C., June 12-13, 2017:
1. Notification for training out on March 31, 2017 by OJJDP;
 2. Training initially for those JJ Specialists newly positioned on the job.
- D. CJJ Report Pierce reports following:
1. House Bill (HR 1809) to reauthorize JJDPA introduced new bill:
 - a. By Representative Jason Lewis (R-MN) & Ranking Member Bobby Scott (D-VA)
 - b. Similar to legislation passed House in 2016, with continued phase-out of VCO exception (opposed by Representative Cotton of AK)
 2. CJJ reports that puts us in markedly better position to ensure appropriations not eliminated for JJDPA in upcoming budget. Some reports indicate unauthorized programs are among those on "chopping Block," although JJDPA reauthorization has not been specifically named for cuts.
- E. Compliance Audit Paekukui added in and reported that OJJPD is scheduling an onsite Compliance Audit sometime in July 2017, but OJJDP notified that this may pose as a conflict, since OYS is tentatively scheduled in July to move to new office, Kamamalu Building, one block from Richards Street location.
- F. (Pierce reiterated on Ulima's request to) Tour of HYCF or DH by JJSAC Committee members in June 2017:
1. Youth Committee interview of HYCF youth, combined with possible tour;
 2. Merton approved the tour at HYCF and to coordinate with Marc Patterson on the possible dates listed;
 3. Possible dates for interview: May 2, 3; 8, 9; or 15, 16, 2017;
 4. Questions from members to elicit or gain insight and understanding of issues, needs, concerns incarcerated youth may have
- G. Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) FY 2017 Title II Funds and CJJ Membership Dues (Pierce went over handouts provided to JJSAC members, and pointed highlights of report)
- H. Bright Spot, Jarrett Middle School, Success Story and Presentation:
1. Pierce provided handout article taken from Superintendent Matayoshi's Newsletter;
 2. Chinen talked about his interest and visit to school (see above IV.C. Director's Briefing for discussion); Auna asked for more information and augmented by Chinen:
 - a. School invites lots of parents involvement;
 - b. Jarrett Middle School located near public housing in Palolo Valley;
 - c. Counselor shared that before initiating suspension of youth, parents are invited to shadow the student during school day, which presents as a "nightmare" for the student (who does not want to be ostracized or made fun of by classmates); Chinen reported that Counselor confirmed that this (strategy) seems to be working.
 - d. Pierce singled out message of making life-changing choice between three options (see article), empowering students that it is their decision to choose to:
 - (1) Give up and quit;
 - (2) Be just an "ordinary" student and still end up behind; or
 - (3) (School's expectation for each student to) (B)e an "extraordinary" student and win the race.
 - e. Member discussion/comments that the article speaks to message of the Youth Committee – in the empowerment and uplifting of youth that they can "do it."
 - f. **Action Item: Pierce to follow up and contact:** Member agreed that they would like to have Principal Reid Kuba present at a future JJSAC quarterly meeting.

IX. Presentation

- A. JDAI-Carol Matsuoka (See PowerPoint Presentation for detailed information and illustrations/graphs, etc.)
1. JJSAC funded and brought JDAI to Hawai`i to start the program.
 2. Talk now is about Juvenile Justice Reform and transformation in terms of totality on the entire system.
 3. The scope of JDAI (JJ Reform) is in every state and a lot of counties.
 4. All the changes by each organizations (JJSAC, OYS, JDAI, etc.) statewide is to bring all the organizations to the table to collaborate, including Native Hawaiian organizations.
 5. First Circuit tends to send a lot of youth to Detention Center; whereas Neighbor Island Circuits not as much. On the average, for island juvenile population, tendency is that Neighbor Island youth spend longer term in detention.
 6. We reduced the number of secured detention by 58%, with 2008 as our baseline (see PP for more details and information).
 7. Elimination (of use) of Valid Court Order (VCO) significantly impacted the reduction of detention and resulting data and on youth of color, including impact on Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander population.

X. Announcements

- A. **Action Item: Youth Committee to present:** Youth Committee Presentation postponed until second quarter June 1, 2016 meeting.

XI. Next Tentative Meetings

JJSAC – Tentative-Thursday, June 1, 2017 (11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.)

XII. Adjournment

Chair asked if any further discussion or business, and there being none, asked for motion to adjourn. Moore motioned to adjourn meeting; Judge Fernandez seconded motion; Chair asked for vote, and all members present were in favor, and meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Office of Youth Services



Cyndy S. Pierce, MSW

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The meeting is open to the press and public. For more information, contact Cyndy Pierce, Juvenile Justice Program Coordinator at (808) 587-5718.