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JUVENILE JUSTICE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL  
Department of Human Services, State of Hawaii  
Office of Youth Services

Prevention and Accountability Standing Committee (P&A SC) Meeting  
Princess Victoria Mammal Building, Basement Level Conference Room  
Wednesday, August 14, 2019  
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Susan Pirsch, August Suehiro

Members Absent:

Members Excused: Wally Lau

Guests Present:

Staff Present: Ana Mejia Vasconcellos

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I. Call to Order /Establishment of Quorum	<p>Meeting called to order at 11:04 am by Chair Susan Pirsch</p> <p>Quorum was established</p> <p>Introduction of attendees</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Susan Pirsch – P&amp;A Chair-Maui Youth &amp; Family Services</li> <li>2. August Suehiro- Member</li> <li>3. Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos-OYS Administrative Staff</li> </ol>			
II. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for the following Meeting November 19, 2019	<p>(11:05) (Susan Pirsch)</p> <p>Consideration to review the minutes: Membership</p> <p>(11:06) (August Suehiro)</p> <p>Membership updates from Item IV-B1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ana passed on the information and it was suggested members make the initial contact</li> <li>• Shannessy would contact them and let them know what JJSAC is about and give them directions on how to apply</li> <li>• Susan already began this process with 2 people brought forward from Moloka'i and Lana'i. She personally did not know the candidate from Moloka'i, only knew the candidate from Lana'i</li> <li>• August will initiate contact with Kula Gaughen, who now is the principle at Kamehameha Middle School but used to live on Maui. He was a police officer and counselor before moving to Oahu and working in the private sector.</li> </ul> <p>Do we need people from Oahu or the outer Islands?</p> <p>(Susan Hirsch)</p> <p>JJSAC is definite on what's it's constitution is, but the committees are not as definite. The purpose for representation on Molokai and Lana'i is to find out what their needs are so we can see what we can build-in to prevent and help them find resources.</p>	<p>August Suehiro to make initial contact with Kula Gaughen, Stacey Oshio and Ellen Shroder if they would be interested in joining JJSAC.</p> <p>August Suehiro to submit names of interested peoples to Shannessy.</p>		

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II. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for the following Meeting, November 19, 2019	<p>(August Suehiro) Principal of Olomana School, Stacey Oshio can be considered as a candidate for membership. Olomana School services DH &amp; HYCF. Other candidates to consider are Ellen Shroder who is retired and taught at Olomana and Barbara Fuller, who is retired from HYCF and built many connections with kids. It's good to have educators on the committee.</p> <p>(11:08) Motion to approve minutes and seconded by: August Suehiro Motion carried and approved by: Susan Pirsch</p>			
Community Input	<p>(11:08) (Susan Pirsch) No community members in attendance for input</p>			
III. JJSAC Briefing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair</li> <li>• OYS Program Updates</li> </ul>	<p>(11:08) (Susan Pirsch) No updates of JJSAC Briefing</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) Updates on OYS Status Offense System Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving on state-wide efforts to take non-arresting kids away from the preview of the courts.</li> <li>• Moving on meeting with each State agencies that touches the youth and goes thru this process to better understand the process.</li> </ul> <p>Intent was to submit Legislation this coming session, however with the timeline given, it would be more realistic to submit a resolution to the Legislature to better articulate the plan so that the next Legislation we can submit bills that would have a piece on the non-arresting kids.</p>	<p>Susan &amp; August to review Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis report for any trends.</p> <p>Susan to seek membership for committee.</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working on cost benefit analysis which would identify how much it's really costing for a kid to be arrested and diverted, then a kid to go thru the court process.</li> </ul> <p>Updates on HYCF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with the VERA Institute for Justice whose initiative is for ending girl's incarcerations. They are looking at data of when the kids enter and exit incarceration, what kind of systems they were involved in and their background to put systems and services in place.</li> </ul> <p>Contract completed with residential programs, outreach and advocacy, emergency shelters</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch)</p> <p>Updates on Intensive Mentoring Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ana advised this program was already awarded.</li> <li>• Maui has youth referred from probation and the mentor is encouraging them to get to their appointments, meeting with probation officer, building capacity in the community by social capital and getting them to different activities such as Youth Challenge and Job Corp.</li> <li>• Also tapped into the Truancy courts because kids not going to school is the beginning of alienation. We weren't getting much from probation because diversion is so effective on Maui. This saved a lot of kids which is the front-end of prevention. There was a truancy contract that dried up as there was no request for proposal, but they still have it at Kulike. Now truancy is rolled with the mentoring program with really good results.</li> <li>• The judge refers the kid and intake is done right in court. The families are contacted to set up a service plan. Is this court mandated? In as much as a truancy court can mandate but they focus more on monitoring, so the kids don't come back to court. They have been successful with getting kids off of truancy court.</li> </ul>			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OYS is about serving the kids. Maui has a number on intensive mentoring, a relationship with judiciary to receive referrals, but there is not \$120,000 of activity in probation budget, therefore truancy, which is a status offense, has been applied to this budget.</li> </ul> <p>(Ana Maja-Vasconcellos) Status Offense System Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OYS has been going to each circuit to understand the pathways as each circuit may handle it differently. They may be referring their truancy cases differently. It is essential to map out the system to understand the implications of not providing kids with appropriate intervention.</li> </ul> <p>Intensive Mentoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not managing but it has been extended for 6 months then it will be procured out.</li> </ul> <p>(Susan Pirsch) OYS can hire high school educated people for intensive monitoring.</p> <p>(August Suehiro) The success of the Intensive Monitoring program should be expanded. HYSN-OYS can develop the programs in Continued Care.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Ana asked about the initiative push in Maui about getting kids assessed early. There will be 2 announcements in the next JJSAC meeting as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kulike meeting/committee is called by the judge to discuss a lot of the programs that touches the kids in the juvenile system. At the meeting, an MPD officer explained how they were tired of picking up the same runaways and there should be an intervention. A family there offered to help and donated a lot of money. A shelter task force was carved out of Koa Like. They funded and bought a building with private funds on Willi Palu Loop to</li> </ul>			

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	<p>open an assessment center with a shelter upstairs, working with Salvation Army to get the policies and protocol.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maui Youth received a grant from Victims of Crime Acts to open a shelter for girls ages 12-17 who are abused by their parents, neglected, trafficked, and sexually assaulted. The current system has some traumatizes in residential and the Emergency Shelter limit is 30 days and then they get moved out. This shelter will allow us to get to know them, calm down, and get rested. We received a small grant from the Guise Foundation to hire a foster parent recruiter. Goal is to have a shelter and foster families.</li> </ul> <p>(August Suehiro) How much does the State pay for foster parents?</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Maui agency pays \$60 a night. We have a contract with OIS, fee for service. When they put a child in foster, they get \$110 and pay the parent \$60. Not sure of CWS (Child Welfare Services)</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) OJJDP Updates-Formula Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grants are from last year</li> </ul> </p> <p>(Anna Mejia-Vasconcellos) Shannessy and Josh (new program specialist for managing the contract under OJJDP) are working on compiling information and needs. A common theme is to engage DOE. Current programs that are funding thru OJJDP are in conversation about switching them over to State funds. Technically with Federal funds, you can fund for 3 years as a pilot and sustain them in another type of funding and start up new pilots. Most contracts will end in October. No updates on PREA grants.</p>			

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	<p>(Susan Pirsch) What grants do we have under pilot status?</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) The ones that fund programs are under the Title II Formula grants with less than \$400,000 which is allocated to JJSAC, Administration, and programs.</p> <p>Poi and Kalo programs are under the JJSAC committee under diversion programs. Kalo gets State funds and Poi receives some federal funds.</p> <p>Under the federal funds there are 30 plus different program areas and pilots that can be started. Diversion, Alternatives to Incarceration, and Training are a few of the wide variety of pilots and efforts to be decided on. This will be matched up with the State plan that goes in with the grant application.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) As the Prevention and Accountability committee is there any discussion on how we are involved?</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) Looked at the purpose of the committee and having a say of where funds are allocated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part of the discussions should be looking at the needs and trends of where the kids are in the system.</li> <li>• Review what is trending high and low</li> <li>• Ask questions and move on to more data.</li> </ul> <p>This committee is in a good position to make recommendations to JJSAC to advocate where the funds should go.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Executive committee discussed on how to start digesting the data and resources, the time needed to articulate the information to fit into the purpose and planning.</p>			

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	<p>Would like to have more impact in helping to get the programs started. This committee helped to get funding on Maui for a program in Hana for ramps and a classroom for seniors. Would like to get native programs, indigenous to Moloka'i and Lana'i, because they are under served and kids fall thru the hole.</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) Consider membership and individuals who have a background in certain areas that is in need. Be intentional on who you invite so they can provide and request for the information needed to help start a plan.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Next meeting, we can invite those type of people to the table and in the meantime, start to review the Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis data to see where the pathways would be and translating it into action.</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) The Juvenile Justice Crime Analysis is broken down by arrest type and you can clearly see the services of status offenders and highest arrest rates. It would be important to pick out the circuits with high rates in addition to looking at the low rates and what is that circuit doing from preventing kids from getting arrested. 1<sup>st</sup> Circuit is Oahu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit is Maui, 3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit is Big Island, 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit is Kauai.</p>			
V. Old Business	<p>(11:32) (Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos)</p> <p>Request to separate data by gender, age and ethnicity. Report distributed last meeting was in draft form. The report was finalized and there is separation, but it does not consider the different types of offense type. Harder to see the arrest type, status, person or drugs. This report is commissioned to UH thru federal funds. One of recommendations the committee can make is having the breakdown.</p>	<p>Susan to motion thru JJSAC the report data commissioned to UH be broken down</p> <p>Review Islander Institute data and propose how to move forward</p>		



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	<p>(August Suehiro) Motion made that Susan’s suggestion the data be broken down as stated by Ana be approved. Susan is all in favor and August second. Susan can a motion thru JJSAC, since she is on the Executive committee.</p> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) Keep in mind the arrest type data is duplicated, kids who have multiple offenses. Unduplicated is when it breaks down per kid, does not consider the arrest type. If you request it by arrest type, they may have multiple offenses.</p> <p>Islander Institute created a plan with every one’s input, and it would be good to go back and review how we can make some things move along.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Data that would be relevant to a prevention committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many are in status offense and stay there</li> <li>• how many progress and get out (what is lacking in their life, what protective factors)</li> <li>• Gender</li> <li>• Social Economics</li> <li>• Age</li> <li>• Ethnicity (can cause sku’d data if they are multiple ethnicities i.e., Hawaiian/Chinese)</li> <li>• Definitions of status offense by circuit/county</li> </ul> <p>(Ana Mejia-Vasconcellos) Goal was to look at the landscape of juvenile justice which was arranged step by step.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dashboard of Data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Identify trends</li> <li>✓ How to place in graphs</li> <li>✓ What are the needs</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Ana to send JJIS link to website</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Conversations about identifying the gaps</li> <li>✓ Where the issues are with the kids.</li> <li>✓ Other type of data is available, make a list of what is needed.</li> </ul> <p>Attorney General has a report from 2006-2016 of juvenile justice offenses thru JJIS</p>			
VI. New Business	<p>(11:44) (Susan Piersch) Move Presentation of Candice Jones, President &amp; CEO from Public Welfare Foundation to New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great resource for JJSAC. Suggesting skyping with this committee but it might not be a good use of her time. She was the Director of Illinois Juvenile Justice System and was in Obama's administration working on educational strategy for juvenile justice.</li> </ul> <p>Need to find a way to utilize her time well that would help JJSAC and talk to other committee chairs (RED) to include them in the discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can we use her time effectively?</li> <li>• Formulate Questions,</li> <li>• Talking points on issues</li> <li>• How to prevent problems in the system i.e., education</li> <li>• Compliance from another perspective</li> <li>• Understanding the national trend</li> </ul>	Talk to JJSAC if they would like to have Candice Jones share		

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VII. Presentation Candace Jones, President & CEO from Public Welfare Foundation	Moved to VI. New Business			
Val. Announcements	(11:55) No announcements			
IX. Future Agenda Items	<p>(11:56) (Ana Meija-Vasconcellos) Next meeting review data to identify 2 trends to make recommendations on.</p> <p>(Susan Pirsch) What prevention programs are presently funded by OYS?</p> <p>(Ana Meija-Vasconcellos) The 3 main programs which are community-based service contracts that serve kids in and not in the juvenile justice system are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Positive youth Development</li> <li>• Truancy Prevention and School Suspension</li> <li>• Cultural Based Program</li> </ul> <p>(Susan Pirsch) Does this committee make suggestions on what is funded? We currently identify gaps, developing a working list of best promising practices.</p> <p>(Ana Meija-Vasconcellos) The work done can be brought to JJSAC informing them of where the trend is pointing, these are the gaps, talking with providers, types of intervention needed to be funded.</p>	Ana to send AG crime report from 20016-2016		

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X. Adjournment	(12:10) Motion to adjourn meeting by: August Suehiro			

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