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JUVENILE JUSTICE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL (JJSAC)
Department of Human Services, State of Hawai'i
Office of Youth Services

Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council
4th Quarter Video/Audio Meeting

Thursday, August 28, 2025
9:00AM-11:00 AM

Hosted on Zoom
(Copy of minutes available upon request)

Members Present: Rick Collins (Chair), Delia Ulima (Vice-Chair), Paul Tonnessen, Judge Andrew Park, Sarah Antone, Adrianne Heely Caires, Dane Ka'ae, Misty Leigh Carter, Shawn Kana'iaupuni, Malia Malufau, Rep. Amy Perruso, Lieutenant Geoffery Hicks, Andrew Sabanal

Members Absent:

Members Excused:

Guests Present: Josiah Akau, Kinai 'Eha Staff, Brandi Wakabayashi, Tammi Kahookele, Boni Grimmel, Tai-An Miao, Captain Mikel Kunishima, Sgt. Chad Giesseman, Officer Cody Webster, Haumea Velasco, Caitlin Thompson, Phillip Humphrey, Mckenna Woodward, Debroah Spencer-Chun, Siutiti Takai, Kala Ching

Staff Present: Shannessy Ahu, Sheri Sagayaga, Norene Machida

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<p>I. Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting protocol for audiovisual communication • Welcome and introduction of council members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Member Recognitions ○ New Members • Establishment of quorum (7/13) 	<p>(9:03)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chair, Rick Collins • Housekeeping for Kawaihoa Family & Wellness Center • Sunshine Laws Reminders <p>Quorum of board members must be visible to other members and the public during a remote meeting. Member's brief absence from view during a meeting, such as to take a five-minute restroom break, would not cause the board to lose quorum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • However, if a board member who is needed to meet the quorum requirement will be out of view for an extended period of time or will be absent during a vote, the board should call for a recess until quorum can be reestablished. • If the audio-visual connection is lost, the Sunshine Law requires the meeting to automatically recess for up to 30 minutes while the board attempts to restore the connection. If no connection is restored, the meeting will be cancelled and re-scheduled 			

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	<p>Member Recognitions-JJSAC Term Ended June 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Randi Cooper • Anastasia Neumann <p>New Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lt. Geoffery Hicks • Andrew Sabanal <p>Quorum has been established 7/13 Introductions of Members & Guest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rick Collins, JJSAC Chair, Hawaii Public Health Institute • Delia Ulima, JJSAC Vice-Chair, Executive Director, EPIC 'Ohana • Paul Tonnessen, JJSAC Member, Executive Director, Friends of the Children's Justice Center of Maui • Sarah Antone, JJSAC Member, Division Administrator, Youth Enrichment Services, Catholic Charities Hawai'i • Andrew Park, JJSAC Member, Judge, Family Court of the First Circuit • Dane Ka'ae, JJSAC Member, Prevention & Accountability Committee Member, Youth Services Director, Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc. 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shawn Kana'iaupuni, JJSAC Member, Chair, Prevention & Accountability Committee, President & CEO, Partners in Development Foundation • Adrienne Heely Caries, JJSAC Member, Chair, Ethnic & Cultural Diversity Committee, Maui Prosecuting Attorney Office • Misty Leigh Carter, JJSAC Member, Ethnic & Cultural Diversity Committee Member, President, Hui 'Oihana • Malia Malufau, JJSAC Member, Ethnic & Cultural Diversity Committee Member • Amy Perruso, JJSAC Member, Representative, Hawai'i State House of Representatives, District 46 • Lieutenant Geoffery Hicks, JJSAC Member, Chair, Compliance Committee, Maui Department of Law Enforcement Sheriff Division • Andrew Sabanal, JJSAC Member, Chair, Youth Committee, Youth Partner, EPIC 'Ohana <p>(9:24) K. Ching</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening prayer and blessing 			
II. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for the following Meeting(s):	(9:18) R. Collins			

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes for February 20, 2025 (to be approved) Informational Only Minutes for May 22, 2025 	<p>Consideration and approval of minutes for February 20, 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve minutes by P. Tonnessen Seconded by S. Kana'iaupuni All in favor 			
<p>III. Public Testimony and Written Testimonies Submitted:</p> <p>[Pursuant to section 92-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Community Members will have 3 mins. to speak, i.e., per person, per item, or written testimony can be submitted on agenda items]</p>	<p>(9:19) H. Velasco</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasize the benefits of the importance to advocate for youth and thank everyone for this opportunity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocate with the Opportunity for Youth Action (OYAH) policy team for the past 3 years. Bills that were passed during the terms were, Safe Spaces for Youth Program SB1240, SB1455 2-year digital mental youth platform, some bills related to child welfare, specialized training for employees from the Ombudsman to handle complaints within the child welfare system, creating specialized penalties for sex trafficking. <p>(9:23) R. Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will return back to agenda Item I of the 			

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	agenda for opening prayer and blessings			
IV. New Business (open for discussion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Goal Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small Group Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Questionnaire (25 mins) ○ National Institute of Crime Justice Reform (NICJR) Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Review recommendations 	(9:29) R. Collins Annual Goal Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted feedback from members about lack of direction and shared vision, low committee commitment, and the need for meaningful objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ P.Tonnessen: Emphasized the importance of outcomes, citing his experience with a justice system group that became effective once they established clear outcomes • A. Park: Suggested short-term goals are easier to focus on and achieve than ongoing committees without specific tasks • S. Kana'iaupuni: Expressed appreciation for the conversation about making a difference and potentially restructuring committees • D. Ulma: Highlighted the importance of youth voice and lived experience, suggesting focus groups with young people at facilities to understand gaps and solutions 			

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	<p>(9:41) R. Collins Small Group Discussion</p> <p>Questionnaire (copy of questions available upon request)</p> <p>National Institute of Crime Justice Reform (NICJR) Report (copy of report available upon request)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council discussed how to implement recommendations from the National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform report. • Members broke into 3 groups to review questions and discuss potential goals and priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Guests were welcomed to join any of the 4 groups <p>(10:24) D. Ulima</p> <p><u>Group 1: (4) Delia Ulima, Phillip Humphrey, Lt. Hicks, McKenna Woodward -On Zoom</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phillip Humphrey (Hale Kipa): Safe Places are important and communities are hesitant about 			

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	<p>what they would be expected to do and any stereotypes. PACT in KPT is one. Hale Kipa on Makuahine is another. Ages: 17 and below, offers services, hotline 24/7, can provide referrals, services, go to young people where they are at, want to be in schools. Kalihi based JJ diversion. Concerns are that schools want the help “after school” and not during school hours. Free and voluntary. Needing schools to be open and partner with this type of services and providers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lt. Hicks: any kind of programs that are rehabilitative instead of locking them up are best for kids who have gotten into trouble, educational to build skills and supports (coping, people, etc.). Police sports leagues and other resources in schools that help on the prevention end with youth and families. Courts: diversion from correctional/punitive to progressive, supportive and that comes through PO, judges. Comes down to individual judges, POs, and how they handle the case, youth, communication. • Mckenna Woodward (OHA: focus on CWS/JJ/mental health, 2022 Missing/Murdered NH women, trafficking): School to prison pipeline, foster care to prison pipeline. Wraparound approaches are critical to 			

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	<p>addressing CWS/JJ initiatives. Will be focusing on legislation next week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caitlin Thompson (Civil Beat): interested in understanding the intersection with systems child welfare system(CWS) and criminal justice and ethnic disproportionality in Hawai'i. <p>(10:30) S. Kana'iaupuni</p> <p><u>Group 2: (5) Shawn Kana'iaupuni, Paul Tonnessen, Cap. Kunishima, Sarah Antone, Misty Carter</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminate transitions <18-18+ gap Documents (ID, Drivers License, Social Security) ensure youth have them. All organizations should do this Broaden reach of services to all youth including neighbor islands (#1 recommendation of NICJR) Support Community Based Organizations (CBO's) to serve youth, evolve with the needs, innovate, cultural, continuity, more effective outcomes (#2 recommendation of NICJR) Workforce development as a priority. Translates across current administration. Resources Centralized intake (compliance) with CBO's 			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationship-LDS info sharing with HPD across all islands with OYS & CBO's. Need to create a regular process for this. Distort negative patterns, work with HPD runaway Sargent (5 yr. limit), engage youth to want to be better for themselves. (#2 recommendation of NICJR) Legislative tracking and process to propose and advocate for Data & Collaboration across systems. All juvenile justice youth service providers and government agencies to reduce redundancies and duplicative services (#4 recommendation of NICJR) <p>(10:33) A Park</p> <p><u>Group 3: (7) Judge Park, Officer Cody Webster, Tori Ikeda, Malia Malufau, Rep. Amy Perruso, Brandi Wakabayashi, Dane Ka'ae</u></p> <p>Coordinate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Testimony Tabling <p>Convene</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff training development <p>Know your connections/sphere of influence</p>			

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grow your sphere • What do we influence about? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Break down silos ○ Share stories <p>(10:35) A Sabanal</p> <p><u>Group 4: (4) Rick Collins, Adrienne Heely Caires, Andi Sabanal, Sgt. Geisseman</u></p> <p>Mental Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting resource agencies that offer counseling/healing • Invest in home placements <p>Houselessness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JJSAC can also support • Young people should be in moku places that live rural districts and have access to resources <p>Bolster pre-release, re-entry planning meeting with HYCF, parole, courts, families, collaboration</p> <p>Culturally Based Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JJSAC can advocate • Support requests funding sustaining programs 			

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	<p>like Hale Kipa</p> <p>Funding Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longer periods and higher rate <p>Mentorship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peers, Coaches, Kumu • JJSAC can invest and support mentorships using youth voices (RYSE, Kupa 'Aina, Peer support) <p>JJSAC can think of items, priorities for legislative reform bills, agenda items for Governor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact-Change-Power-Mana • Support recommendations (no need to reinvent the wheel) <p>(10:37) R Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any thoughts on the next steps of how to prioritize the great ideas discussed today, which are achievable and measurable • What goals can we vote on today to move this forward <p>(10:39)</p>			

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	<p>S. Kana'aiupuni</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can start a task force to put the goals in order <p>(10:40)</p> <p>P. Tonnessen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allow the members to prioritize the goals and how they can be achieved <p>(10:41)</p> <p>A. Perruso</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go through the recommendations and sort out what is State or County level politics and I can work with my county partners to draft legislation. Have something concrete if meeting with the Governor How does the recommendations translate to policy and bills, although not all are policy related Small group of people to share the proposal with legislatures, which is an effective approach <p>(10:45)</p> <p>R. Collins</p> <p>Is there a motion to form a Committee or permitted interaction group to review the recommendations and ideas.</p>			

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	<p>(10:47)</p> <p>A. Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move to form a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) and/or Committee to have the purpose of identifying the Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council (JJSAC) goals for advancement and desired help <p>(10:48)</p> <p>S. Kana'iaupuni</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seconded by S. Kana'iaupuni • All in favor <p>(10:49)</p> <p>A. Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIG to report at the November 20, 2025 meeting on short-term goals for policy advancement, action items, and desired outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the composition of the PIG, ensuring it had less than quorum (6 members) • PIG members: Judge Park, Judge Heely, Andy Sabinal, Shawn Kana'iaupuni, Paul Tonnessen, Misty Carter <p>(10:54)</p> <p>R. Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council established a new committee 			

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	<p>focused on legislative priorities before the February 2026 meeting, which would be too late for the legislative session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amy, Shawn, Rick Collins: Volunteered to serve on the committee • Rick Collins: Suggested including Haumea from OYAH and potentially a youth representative • Committee will focus on legislative priorities and make recommendations at the November 20, 2025 meeting 			
V. BREAK	(10:15)			
VI. Sub-Committee Reports & Update A. Compliance Committee- Last meeting 8.12.25, Next meeting November 2025 B. Prevention & Accountability Committee (P&A) Last meeting 7.3.25, Next meeting TBD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provider Survey Results ○ Youth Survey Pilot Feedback C. Ethnic & Cultural Diversity	<p>(11:00) G. Hicks Compliance Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reported charter changes, new leadership, compliance visits starting in August, 3 violations in 2024, and no violations so far this year <p>(11:02) S. Kana'iaupuni Prevention and Accountability Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provider survey results and ongoing analysis of youth survey data 			

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Committee (ECD) Last meeting 8.6. 25, Next meeting 9.3.25	<p>(11:03) A Heely Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reported active monthly meetings, charter revisions, and potential move to quarterly meetings <p>(11:04) R. Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As we identify these goals and objectives, we can look at how to funnel the work or redesign the committees This could allow people to come in and do meaningful work that will naturally help build out an outreach and increase attendance 			
<p>VII. Future Agenda Items and Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal of presentations Opportunity for council members to raise questions or concerns for the consideration of future discussion 	<p>(11:06) R. Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are there any proposals for future agenda items besides the organization of the recommendation 			
VIII. JJSAC FB Meetings FY:2025-2026	(11:08)			

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<p>Meeting invites will be sent after each meeting to accept and save the date to your calendar.</p> <p>JJSAC FB Meetings FY:2025-2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday, November 20, 2025 (1st Q) Thursday, February 26, 2026 Thursday, May 28, 2026 Thursday, August 27, 2026 	<p>R. Collins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting on November 20, 2025 will be virtual on Zoom Next in-person meeting can be held in 2026 			
<p>IX. Closing Remarks and Adjournment</p>	<p>(11:08)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 by R. Collins Motion approved by S. Kana'iaupuni Second by A. Sabanal All in favor Meeting adjourned at 11:16 am 			